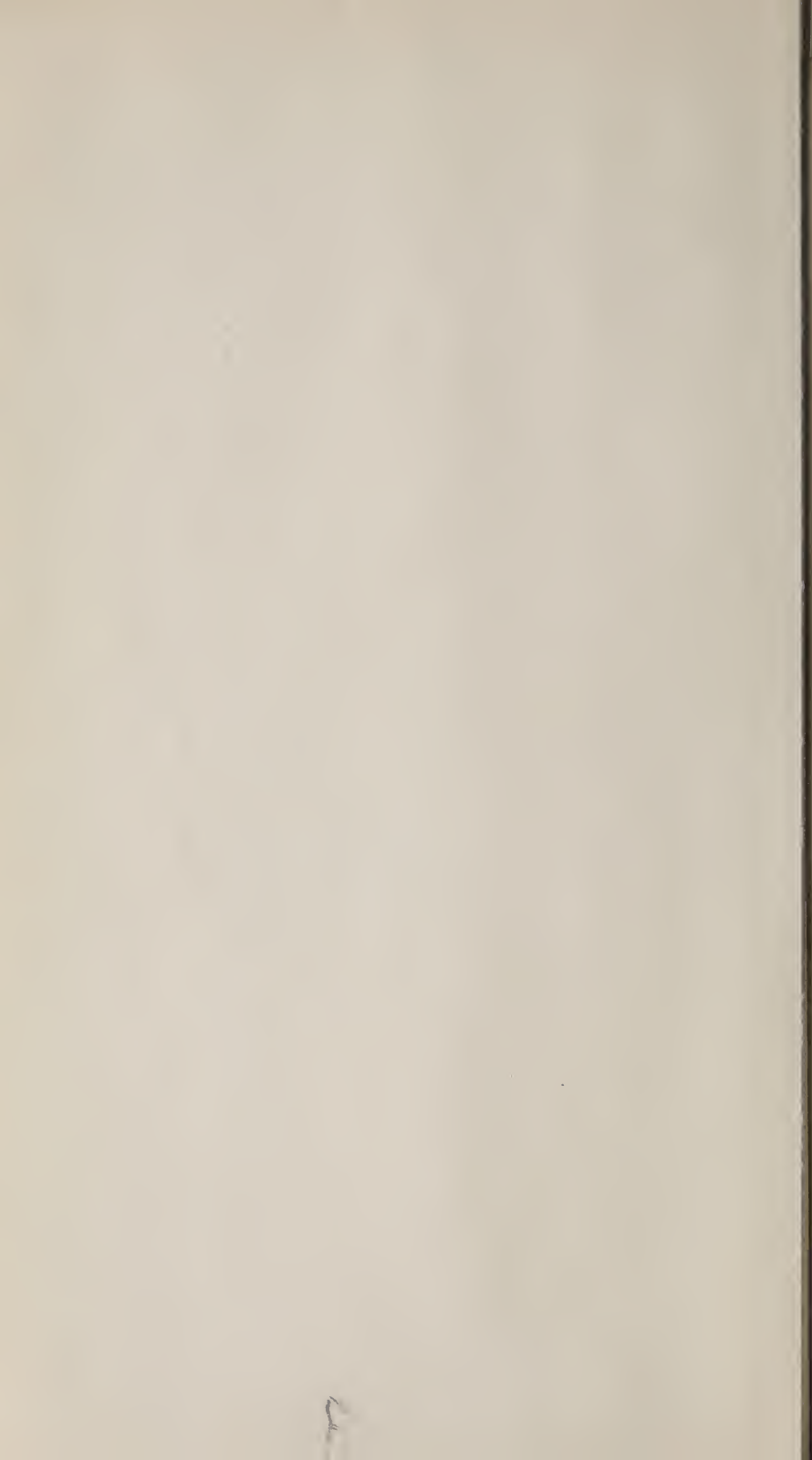


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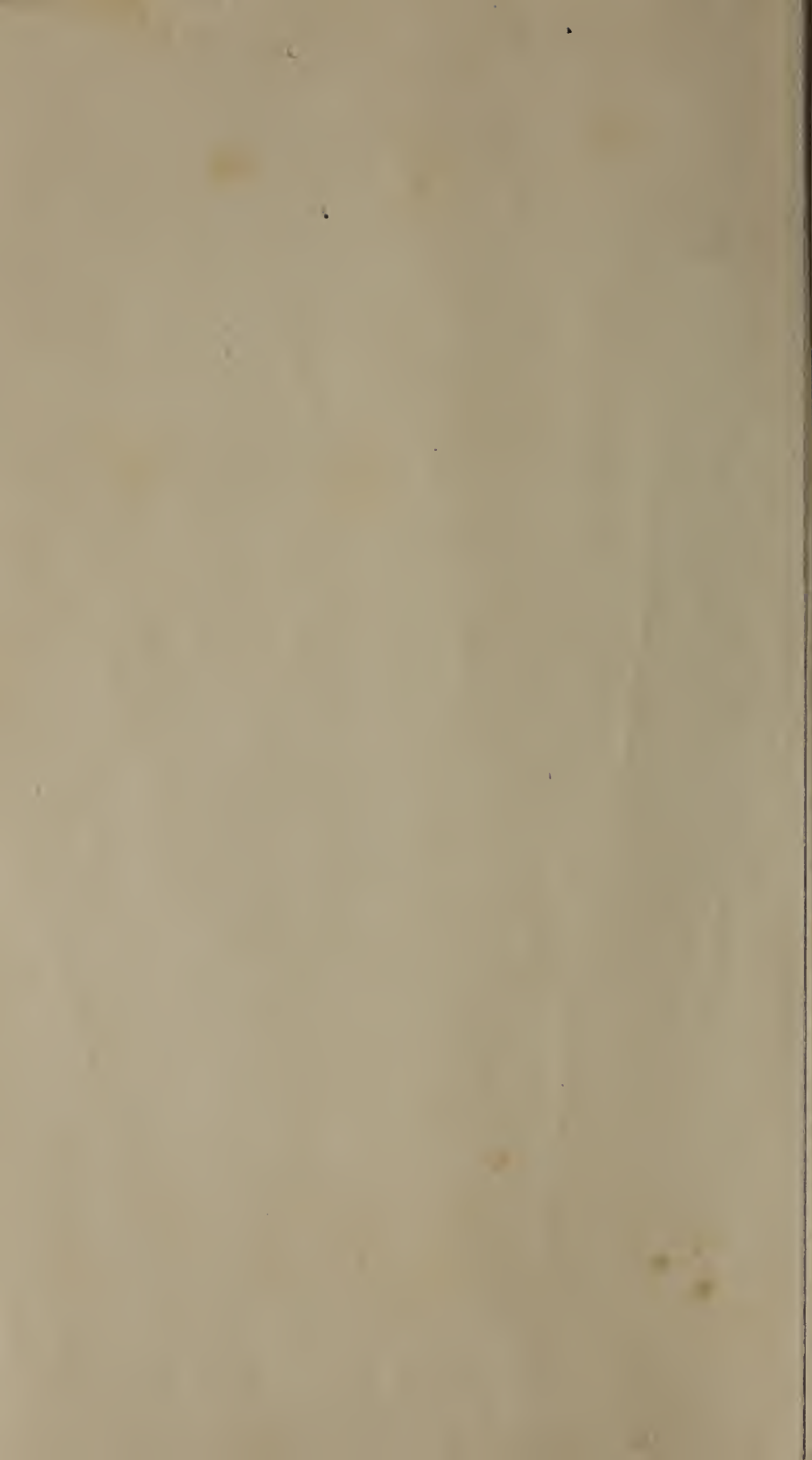
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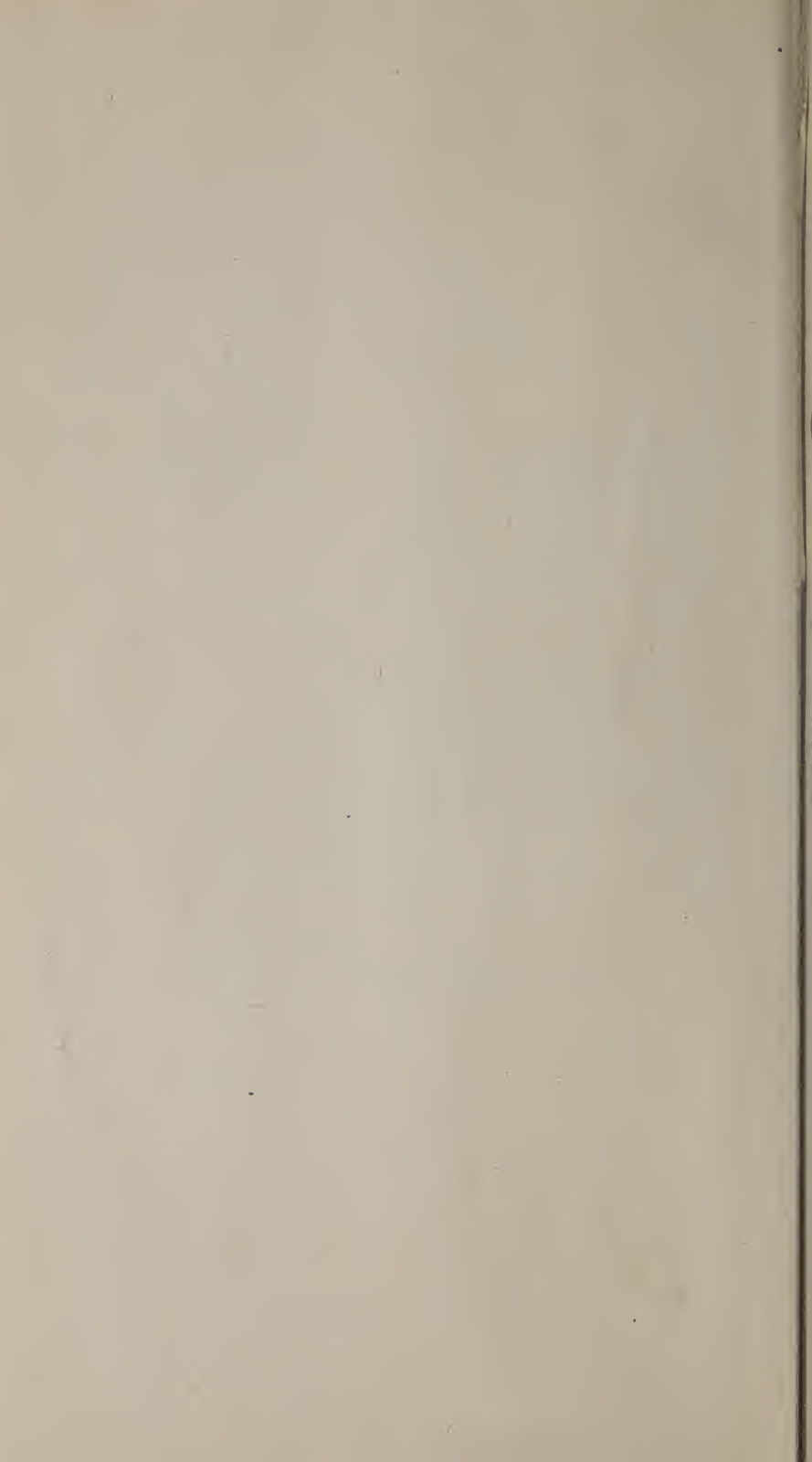
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REPORT

OF THE

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

FEBRUARY 15TH, 1882.

DR.

To interest on real and personal estate, appraised Feb.		
14th 1881, at \$6302 95, 8 months,	\$252 11	
Interest at \$2552 95, 4 months,	51 05	
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		\$303 16
To cash due from E. W. Hubbard, Feb. 15, 1881,		61 03
To Salary of Warden for the year ending Feb. 15, 1882,		365 00
Decrease in appraisal of personal property,		48 15
Cash received of Town Treasury,		752 22
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		\$1529 56

CR.

By balance paid E. W. Hubbard,	\$282 00	
Order for E. W. Hubbard,	60 00	
State Lunatic Asylum, for Wm. O. Smith,	207 97	
Town of Ashland, for Mrs. Edward Rice,	50 00	
Dr. J. G. Shannon,	58 00	
Cyrus Homer, for Farrington,	2 00	
H. F. Thomas, for “	5 25	
Town of Grafton, for Samuel A. Stratton,	25 00	
Overseers' bills,	62 00	
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	752 22	
Due from E. W. Hubbard,	73 21	
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		\$825 43
Which leaves a balance of		<hr/>
		\$704 13 ⁰⁰

As the expenses of supporting Paupers at the Almshouse
the past year.

The whole number relieved and supported the past year was 20. Of this number, 8 were travelers. Expense of travelers, \$2 00. Number fully supported, 12. Average number, $6\frac{1}{3}$. Cost per week of supporting paupers at Almshouse, \$2 16.

EXPENSE OF SUPPORTING PAUPERS OUT OF THE ALMSHOUSE.

Paid State Lunatic Asylum, for Wm. O. Smith,	\$207 97	
Town of Ashland, for Mrs. Edward Rice,	50 00	
Town of Grafton, for Samuel A. Stratton,	25 00	
H. F. Thomas, for Farrington,	5 25	
Cyrus Homer, for “	2 00	
Dr. J. G. Shannon, for A. N. Alson,	25 50	
“ “ “ “ John Foots,	3 50	
“ “ “ “ John Gibbons,	7 50	
“ “ “ “ Abin Rivers,	18 50	
“ “ “ “ Patrick Layden.	3 00	
		\$348 22
Overseers' bills,		62 00
Expense of supporting paupers at Almshouse,		704 13
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Making a total of		\$1114 35
As the expense of supporting paupers the past year.		
Reimbursement from the State		49 99
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Making a total of		\$1064 36
As the expense of supporting the Town and other paupers the past year.		

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY,

AS APPRAISED BY THE OVERSEERS, FEBRUARY 14, 1882.

Real estate,	\$2500 00
Farming tools and household furniture,	595 00
Horse,	125 00
Oxen,	135 00
9 cows,	306 00
2 three-year olds,	42 00
1 pair of steers,	30 00
4 yearlings,	50 00
3 shoters,	25 00
26 fowls,	15 60
13½ tons of English hay,	243 00

3½ tons of meadow hay and straw,	28 00
37 bushels of oats,	22 20
14½ bushels of barley,	14 50
10 bushels of corn,	8 50
29 bushels of potatoes,	25 00
Garden vegetables,	5 00
Boiled cider, cider and pickles,	10 00
Salt pork and hams,	27 00
Lard, sausages and dried beef,	6 00
Butter, cheese and eggs,	10 00
Beans and pop corn,	8 00
Apples and dried apple,	1 00
Flour and meal,	6 50
Grass seeds,	4 00
Tea, sugar and molasses,	1 00
Tallow and candles,	50
Lead, glass and nails,	2 00
Soap and soap grease,	1 00
Lumber,	8 00
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	\$4254 80

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

Bought Flour, meal and crackers,	\$212 94
Meat and fish,	28 83
Tea, sugar and molasses,	49 59
Spices, cream tartar and soda,	7 22
Cloth, yarn, thread, &c.	10 41
Grinding grain,	6 25
Tobacco and pipes,	8 65
Oil, stove polish, paint, &c.	1 60
Tin, earthen and glass ware,	1 55
Matches, soap and salt,	4 82
Boots and shoes,	9 50
Making cider,	50
Paper and brooms,	2 09
Threshing grain,	8 20
Blacksmithing,	11 83
Farming and dairy tools,	22 86
Stock and keeping same,	12 59
Grass and other seeds,	17 37
Plaster, lime and phosphate,	20 97
Repairing,	10 34
Labor,	78 10
Use of stock,	2 00

Bought Board and horse keeping,	75
Hay,	10 33
Medicine,	2 75
Bail wire, staples and stretcher,	60 98
Paris green,	60
Sundries,	8 00
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	\$611 62

SUMMARY OF INCOME AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

Sold 1036 lbs. Butter,	307 36
Eggs and poultry,	28 80
Hay and meadow grass,	11 90
Board,	7 13
Labor,	67 54
Cider and vinegar,	5 57
Vegetables,	39 81
Stock, and keeping same,	153 59
Milk,	1 85
Sundries,	1 28
Cash of Overseers,	60 00
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	\$684 83
Amount of expense,	611 62
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Balance in favor of the Town,	\$73 21

Respectfully submitted,

D. F. SMITH,	} <i>Overseers</i>
J. M. SKINNER,	
J. S. KENNEN,	

of
Poor.

RUTLAND, FEB. 15, 1882.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

F. R. FOSTER, TREASURER.

1881.	Dr.	
Feb. 15,	Balance in the Treasury,	\$4050 57
Mar. 7,	Rec'd of West Boylston,	17 00
" "	" " D. F. Smith, for use of school house,	1 00
" 28,	" " State Treasurer,	22 00
June 25,	" " M. R. Moulton, cash borrowed,	450 00
July 21,	" " B. F. Browning, for grass in cemetery,	4 25
Aug. 24,	" " State Treasurer, for State paupers,	16 20
Sept. 1,	" " M. R. Moulton, cash borrowed,	6000 00
Oct. 20,	" " E. G. Sweatt, for wood lot,	3750 00
Nov. 5,	" " B. F. Browning, for shingles,	8 75
" 7,	" " Daniel Demond, auctioneer's license,	2 00
" 8,	" " Town of Holden, school money,	17 50
Dec. 7,	" " State Treasurer, corporation tax,	107 85
" "	" " " " National bank tax,	26 17
" "	" " " " State aid,	104 64
" "	" " " " for State paupers,	10 29
1882.		
Jan. 2,	" " County Treasurer, dog fund,	128 88
" 26,	" " State Treasurer, school fund,	223 29
" "	" " " " for State paupers,	1 50
Feb. 13,	" " D. F. Smith, school money,	6 00
" "	" " Albert Rogers, on note,	18 34
" 15,	" " W. H. Forbes, for use of hearse,	2 72
	" Interest on Taxes,	40 97
	" Amount of Tax Bills,	9056 99
		<hr/> \$24,066 91

1881.	Cr.	
By Notes and interest paid,	\$9,004 57	
" Assessors' abatements on taxes,	58 71	
" Town abatements on taxes,	5 00	
" State tax paid,	390 00	
" County tax paid,	315 00	
" Paying 227 orders drawn by Selectmen,	7212 75	
		<hr/> \$16,986 03
Balance in Treasury, Feb. 15, 1882, including Tax bills,	\$7,080 88	

Respectfully submitted,

F. R. FOSTER, *Treasurer.*

RUTLAND, FEB. 15, 1882.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

For the Year ending Feb. 15, 1882.

APPROPRIATIONS.

State Tax,	\$390 00	
County Tax,	315 00	
Town Grant,	8200 00	
Overlays on Taxes,	151 99	
		\$9056 99

CURRENT EXPENSES.

MODERATOR.

Paid Daniel B. Scott,	3 00
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TOWN CLERK.

Paid Geo. A. Putnam,	\$27 60
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SELECTMEN.

Paid Menzies R. Moulton,	\$37 75	
Benjamin F. Browning,	31 25	
Richman H. Potter,	25 00	
		\$94 00

ASSESSORS.

Paid Alonzo Davis,	\$22 50	
John W. Munroe,	22 00	
Fred S. Hunt,	22 00	
		\$66 50

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid David F. Smith,	\$31 50	
J. Milo Skinner,	20 50	
James S. Kennen,	10 00	
		\$62 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Charles R. Bartlett,	\$42 75	
Lawton T. Hadley,	36 00	
Helen H. Welsh,	35 00	
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		\$113 75

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid Freeman R. Foster,		\$75 00
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CONSTABLES.

Paid Freeman R. Foster,	\$10 00	
Benjamin F. Browning,	5 00	
Geo. S. Putnam,	3 00	
Robert Beckett, (special,)	3 00	
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		\$21 00

SEXTONS.

Paid Walter H. Forbes,	\$30 25	
Francis Hapgood,	2 00	
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		\$32 25

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid Almira A. Foster,	\$52 00	
Geo. A. Putnam, for books,	65 94	
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		\$117 94

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid Joseph Davis,	\$28 91	
Orrin Pierce,	6 67	
Geo. W. Cowden,	58 53	
John N. Sargent,	48 00	
Elijah Goulding,	43 00	
Daniel Spooner,	42 14	
Richard Cody,	36 85	
Moses B. Allen,	67 66	
Lawson S. Brigham,	35 00	
James M. Taylor,	60 00	
Daniel Demond,	69 10	
Geo. P. Woodis,	40 43	
Roland C. Prescott,	52 69	
Edward Bigelow,	37 66	
Henry D. Rice,	36 44	
Warren K. Briant,	41 83	
H. A. & J. S. Kennen,	95 17	
E. W. Hubbard,	37 33	
Geo. B. Munroe,	19 82	
H. F. Thomas,	48 46	
C. G. Pratt,	40 61	
R. B. Miles,	35 82	

Paid A. B. Pratt,	38 98
F. S. Hunt,	46 68
Henry Moore,	54 58
Merrill Chickering,	23 58
L. A. Baker,	1 67
Herbert Scribner,	4 16
Chas. R. Bartlett,	26 33
Dennis O'Herron,	39 68
Daniel R. Wheeler,	55 00
M. Myron Smith,	40 33

\$1313 11

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid Geo. L. Lockwood,	\$4 75
Edward Mellen,	9 67
Wm. F. Moore,	5 00
Francis H. Davis,	14 83
H. N. Moulton,	10 33
Dennis Smith,	7 17
John D. Clair,	31 64
Edward W. Hubbard,	85 17
Elijah Goulding,	20 00
Albert D. Roper,	2 45
Austin Preston,	3 33
Daniel M'Carty,	3 17
Wm. H. Barr,	31 08
Eugene E. Loker,	1 00
Michael Leary,	24 67
Levi H. Stearns,	3 98
Asa F. Brooks,	17 00
Joseph Davis,	26 32
Orrin Pierce,	11 80
Geo. W. Cowden,	65 26
Geo. R. N. Sargent,	14 74
John N. Sargent,	37 50
Elijah Goulding,	30 75
Daniel Spooner,	15 79
Richard Cody,	29 89
Moses B. Allen,	30 76
Lawson S. Brigham,	20 01
Joseph Miles,	45 34
J. Warren Bigelow,	21 54
James M. Taylor,	30 16
Sylvester Prescott,	9 33
Geo. P. Woodis,	83 00
Roland C. Prescott,	28 90
Cyrus P. Bullard,	33 89
Wm. W. Prescott,	10 74

Paid Edward Bigelow,	66 19
Wm. D. Hatch,	5 32
W. H. Forbes,	1 50
Henry D. Rice,	21 16
Ivory Wales,	43 57
Warren K. Briant,	65 25
H. A. & J. S. Kennen,	36 15
Geo. B. Munroe,	23 08
H. F. Thomas,	19 75
D. R. Wheeler,	55 71
James Conlin,	5 58
Peter Carr,	5 75
C. G. Pratt,	19 72
Rufus B. Miles,	23 17
A. B. Pratt,	20 75
Eliphus Smith,	2 67
Fred S. Hunt,	12 34
Merrill Chickering,	15 99
Dennis Gleason,	13 00
Fred S. Hunt,	1 92
Chas. R. Bartlett,	40 92
Thomas L. Campbell,	7 16
Dennis O'Herron,	13 75
Thomas P. Connery,	5 08
Joseph M. Valley,	5 17
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	\$1351 61
Paid Order of School Committee,	\$1851 45
Paid Order of Overseers of Poor,	\$690 37
Paid Willard Woodis, State Aid,	\$217 00

INCIDENTALS.

Paid Bacon & Hopkins, on Lamb case,	\$914 51
Schuyler Prouty, insurance on Center School house,	17 80
John S. Bartlett, damage on highway,	5 00
E. H. Tripp, printing,	58 50
Abel Baker, ringing bell,	40 00
Barnard, Sumner & Co., for mourning goods,	13 00
Joseph Davis, railing highway,	11 63
Daniel M. Parker, for plank and timber,	34 47
Fred S. Hunt, repairing bridge,	57 50
F. R. Foster, recording deed,	60
J. D. Baldwin & Co., advertising wood lot,	23 16
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	\$1176 17

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Moderator,	\$3 00
Town Clerk,	27 60
Selectmen,	94 00
Assessors,	66 50
Overseers of Poor,	62 00
School Committee,	113 75
Collector and Treasurer,	75 00
Constables,	21 00
Sextons,	32 25
Public Library,	117 94
Repairing roads,	1313 11
Breaking roads,	1351 61
Public Schools,	1851 45
Order Overseers,	690 37
State Aid,	217 00
Incidentals,	1176 17
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	\$7212 75

Which is the whole amount of Orders drawn by the Selectmen the past year.

PRESENT LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Due State Treasury,	\$20,595 90
“ Life Insurance Company,	6,110 00
We estimate breaking roads,	500 00
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	\$27,205 90

RESOURCES.

250 Shares Mass. Central Railroad,	\$25,000 00
Due from Albert Rogers, for land,	84 87
State Aid due,	108 50
In hands of Treasurer,	7080 88
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	\$32,274 25
Balance in favor of the Town,	<hr/>
	\$5,068 35

GUIDE POSTS.

In obedience to the Law of the Commonwealth, we report in regard to guide-posts, that they are erected in the following places.

One at the junction of the road leading from Barre to Paxton, at West Rutland; one near Era C. Dudley's; one near Miles Holden's; one near Elias F. Meade's; one near Centre Post Office; one near old Hotel; one near D. W. Fletcher's; one near Walter H. Bartlett's; one near Benj. Allen's; one near Alfred Hatstat's; one near No. 1 School house; one near John C. Greenleaf's; one near Daniel R. Wheeler's; one near Moses B. Smith's; one near New Boston mill; one near Erastus Dean's; one near Charles E. Read's; one near Daniel Nihin's, and one near Charles R. Bartlett's.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
BENJ. F. BROWNING,	
R. H. POTTER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths were recorded for 1881.

B I R T H S .

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE OF BIRTH.
Fred Demond,	Stephen W. and Emma J. Parker,	Jan. 8, 1881.
Anna,	Owen and Catherine McGann,	" 11, "
Michael,	Daniel and Margaret Nihin,	Feb. 13, "
Lucius Adams,	George S. and Mary E. Putnam,	" 14, "
Clifton Jones,	H. Jones and Clara N. Davis,	" 18, "
Helen Mowry,	Rev. Timothy and Mary Lyman,	" 23, "
Bertha Amelia,	Simeon D. and Lucy H. I. Taylor,	Mar. 23, "
Wendell Elliott,	Benjamin F. and Cornelia M. Browning,	" 25, "
Susan Marion,	Addison and Susan E. Childs,	May 26, "
Harold Edward,	Edward and Flora A. Clark,	June 7, "
Mary Ann,	Joseph and Mary Ann McCarthy,	" 18, "
Sarah Belle,	Albert D. and Mary J. Roper,	July 10, "
Carrie,	Michael and Emma Ring,	" 16, "
Ella Maria,	Wm. H. and Mary J. Barr,	Sept. 1, "
Nina Maud,	George W. and Addie L. Handy,	" 25, "
Caltha Alice,	Andrew S. and Lora L. Charter,	Oct. 8, "
Earnest Adelbert,	John F. and Sylvia Graton,	Nov. 8, "
Sarah Anna,	Triffly and Sarah Little,	Dec. 13, "
Christopher,	Zebulon, Jr. and Chloe D. Strong,	" 25, "
Paul Shannon,	Ebenezer and Hannah G. Wellington,	" 25, "

M A R R I A G E S .

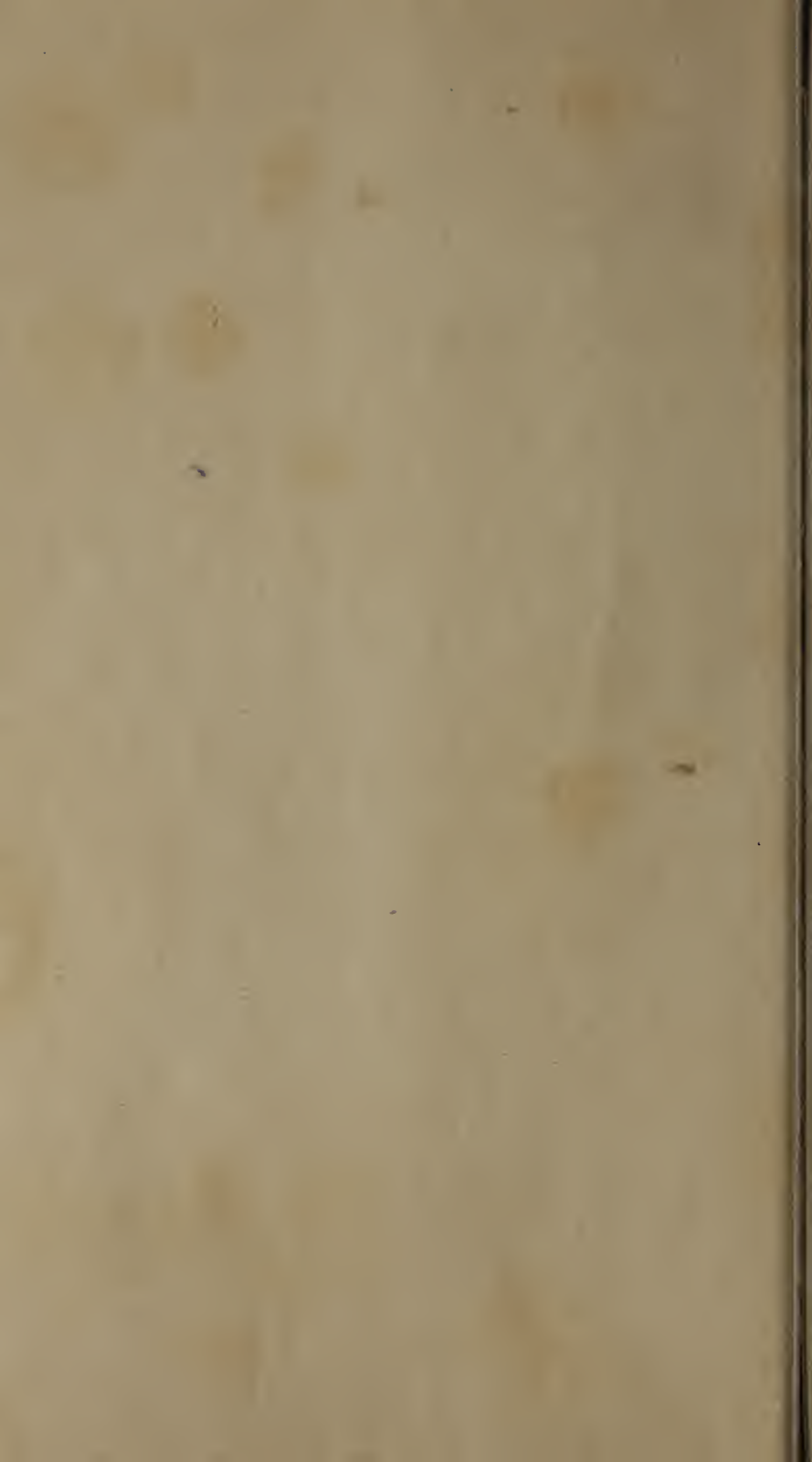
Jan. 14, 1881,	Charles Munroe Hartwell and Frances Ann Brigham, both of Rutland.
Feb. 20, "	Edward Clark of Worcester and Flora A. Davis of Rutland.
March 23, "	Elliott W. Carey of Worcester and Nancy M. Muzzy of Rutland.
May 1, "	Edward W. Morse and Mabel E. Hubbard, both of Holden.
" 11, "	Wm. M. Coleman and Juliet L. Homer, both of Rutland.
" 22, "	Albert B. Chamberlain and Eldora Howe, both of Holden.
Sept. 12, "	Eugene T. Barlow of Ware and Asela O. Chickering of Rutland.
Oct. 23, "	Luke Gillespie and Julia Delehunty, both of Rutland.
Dec. 28, "	Jesse Allen of Oakham and M. Lizzie Sumner of Hebron, Ct.

D E A T H S .

Feb. 28, 1881,	Mabel G. Smith,	Aged 9 years, 1 month, 2 days.
July 24, "	Cyrus Homer,	" 64 " 7 " 22 "
Aug. 24, "	Moses B. Smith,	" 83 " 0 " 8 "
" 29, "	Lucius A. Putnam,	" " 6 " 15 "
Sept. 20, "	Henry Dana,	" 42 " 6 " 19 "
" 22, "	Harold E. Clark,	" " 3 " 15 "
Nov. 15, "	Dexter Read,	" 79 " 11 " 15 "
" 29, "	Emma E. Forbes,	" 29 " 4 " 19 "
Dec. 24, "	Mrs. Harriet Carleton,	" 76 " 4 " 14 "
" 31, "	Mrs. Lucy K. Browning,	" 73 " 9 " 3 "

And two still births.

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, TOWN, CLERK.



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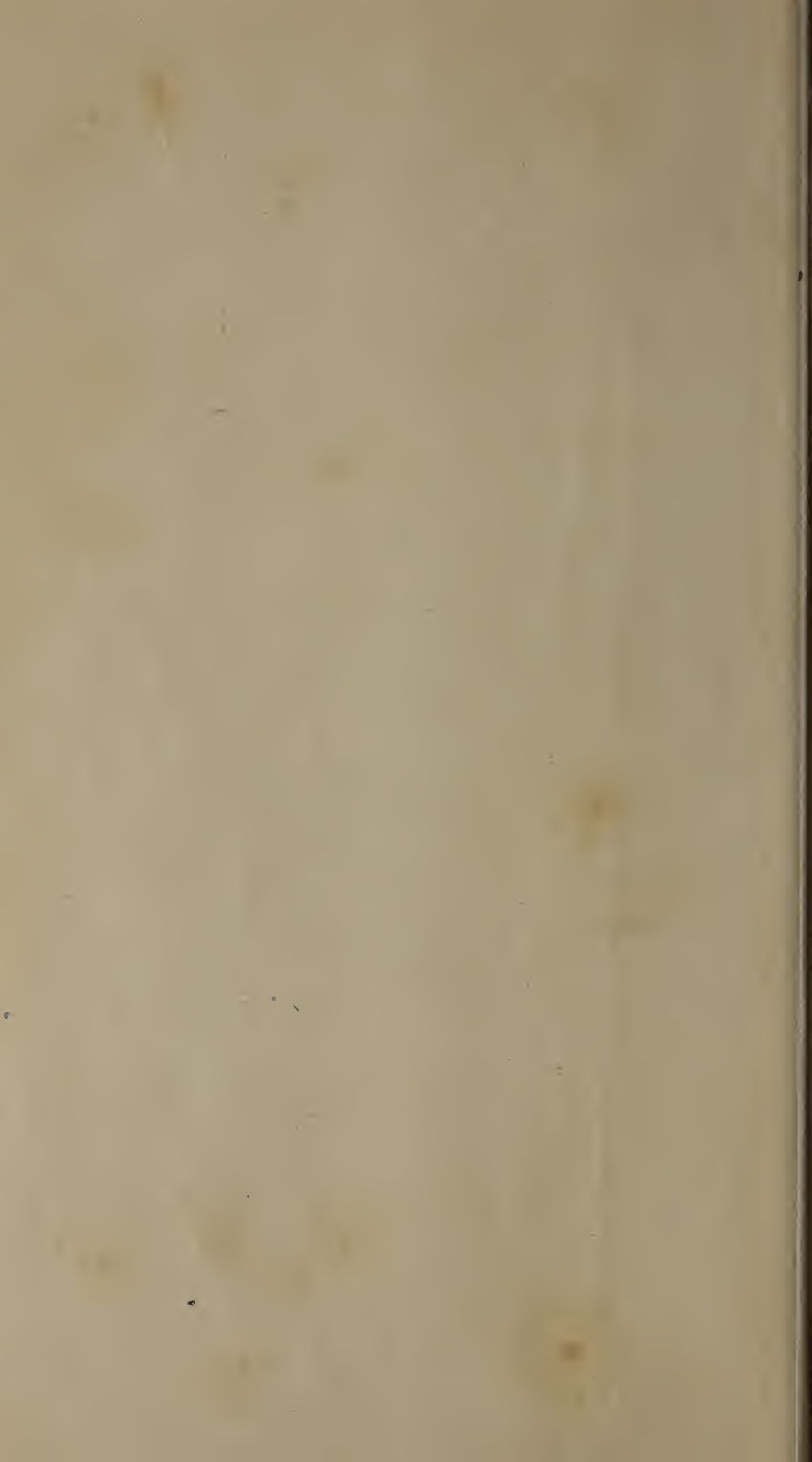
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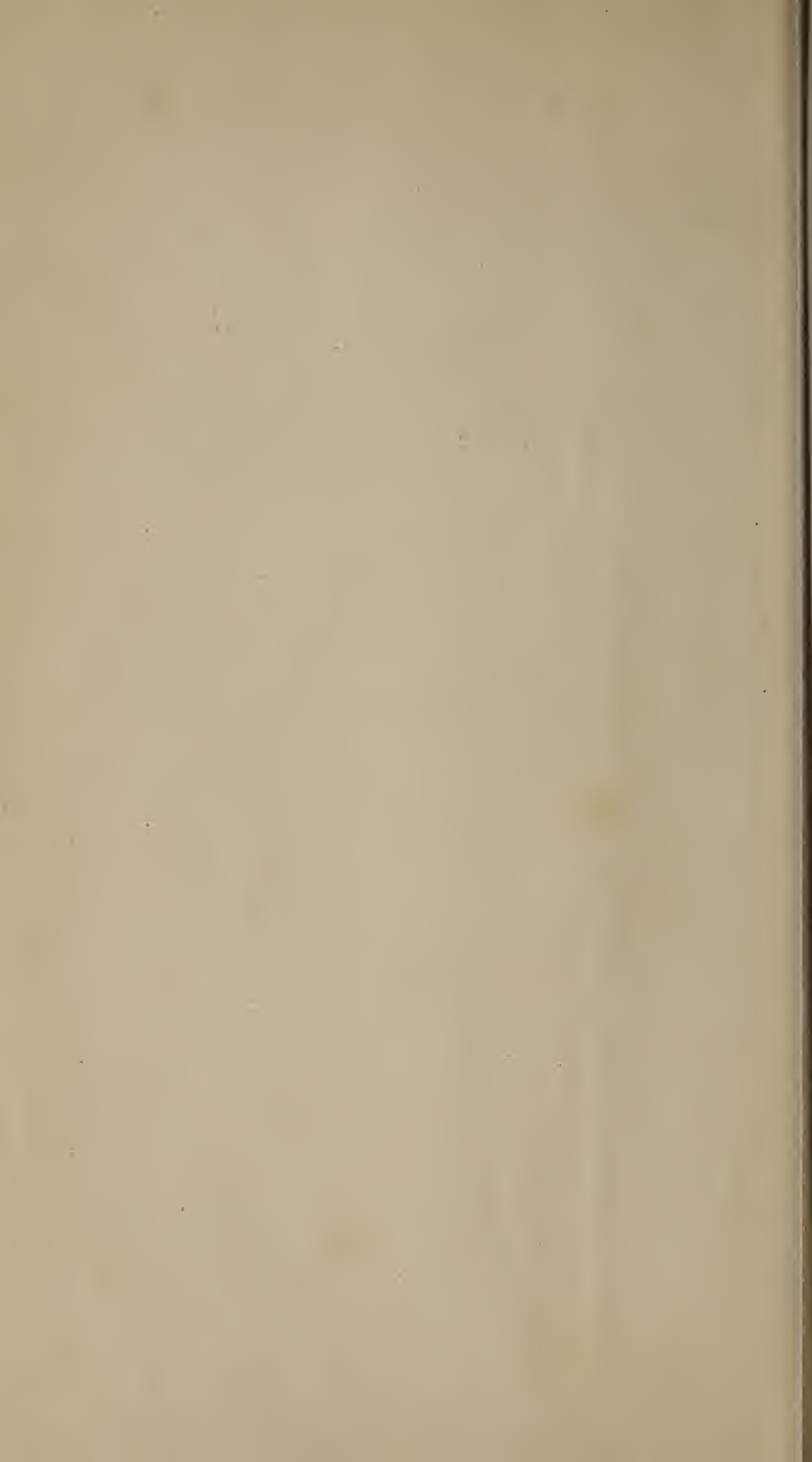
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	\$1623 82

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Order of E. W. Hubbard,	131 07
State Lunatic Asylum bill,	185 56
Town of Grafton bill,	105 75
Town of Ashland bill,	96 95
Dr. J. G. Shannon's bill,	13 00
E. Demond & Co's bill,	16 25
Board for A. T. Pollard,	3 00
Overseers' bills,	62 40
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	930 33
Increase in appraisal of personal property,	122 56
Due from E. W. Hubbard,	25 04
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	\$1077 93

Which leaves a balance of \$545 89
As the expense of supporting Paupers at the Almshouse
the past year.

The whole number relieved and supported the past year was 25. Of this number 7 were travelers. Expense of travelers \$1.75. Number fully supported, 18. Average number, $9\frac{1}{2}$. Cost per week of supporting paupers at Almshouse, \$1.10 $\frac{1}{2}$.

EXPENSE OF SUPPORTING PAUPERS OUT OF THE ALMSHOUSE.

Paid State Lunatic Asylum for Wm. O. Smith,	\$185	56	
Town of Grafton, for the Stratton family,	105	75	
Town of Ashland, for E. Rice,	96	95	
Dr. J. G. Shannon, for Mrs. E. Clark,	10	00	
“ “ “ for Paul Greenwood,	3	00	
E. Demond & Co., for Mrs. Jeremiah Little,	5	00	
“ “ for Mrs. Kelly,	4	00	
“ “ for Mrs. Wm. Bartlett,	3	25	
“ “ for Mrs. E. Clark,	4	00	
A. Perry, for boarding A. T. Pollard,	3	00	
			\$420 51
Overseers' bills,			62 40
Expense of supporting paupers at Almshouse,			545 89
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Making a total of			\$1028 80
Received from Fitchburg, for Mrs. Little,	\$11	25	
from Daniel Leary, for board,	27	00	
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			38 25
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Making a total of,			\$990 55
As the expense of supporting the Town and other paupers			
the past year.			

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

AS APPRAISED BY THE OVERSEERS, FEBRUARY 14, 1883.

Real estate,	2500	00
Farming tools and household furniture,	595	00
Horse,	85	00
Oxen,	135	00
9 cows,	324	00
3 three-year old heifers,	84	00
1 two-year old heifer,	22	00
1 pair steers,	65	00
3 yearlings,	39	00
3 shoters,	24	00
22 fowls,	13	20
15 tons of English hay,	270	00

7 tons of meadow hay, and straw,	56 00
52 bushels of oates,	28 60
6 bushels of corn,	4 80
60 bushels of potatoes,	33 00
Garden vegetables,	3 00
Apples and dried apples,	6 40
Boiled cider and cider,	28 00
Salt pork and hams,	28 00
Salt beef,	4 00
Lard and sausages,	4 00
Butter and cheese,	5 21
Beans,	3 50
Flour and meal,	4 25
Tea, sugar, molasses,	3 00
Tallow and candles,	1 50
Lead, glass and nails,	1 50
Soap,	2 40
Lumber,	4 00

\$4377 36

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

Bought Flour, meal and crackers,	\$245 13
Meat and fish,	37 47
Tea, sugar and molasses,	62 52
Spices, cream tartar and soda,	9 04
Cloth, yarn, thread, &c.,	15 37
Grinding grain,	3 22
Tobacco and pipes,	9 65
Oil, stove polish, paint, &c.,	2 46
Tin, earthen and glass ware,	2 97
Matches, soap and salt,	7 73
Boots and shoes,	1 65
Making cider,	5 12
Paper and brooms,	2 36
Blacksmithing,	15 94
Farming tools and use of same,	49 71
Stock, keeping and use of same,	153 20
Grass and other seeds,	7 36
Paris green, lime and phosphate,	40 82
Repairing,	19 75
Labor,	175 00
Sawing lumber,	1 80
Hardware,	13 52
Medicine,	3 77
Rent of McGrath Farm,	125 00

\$1010 56

SUMMARY OF INCOME AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

Sold 983½ lbs. butter,	\$301 30
Eggs and poultry,	30 21
Hay and meadow grass,	273 62
Board,	57 50
Labor,	7 25
Vegetables,	6 50
Stock and keeping same,	218 27
Milk,	5 35
Lumber,	1 00
Flour, meal and crackers,	3 50
Cash of Overseers,	131 10
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	\$1035 60
Amount of expense,	\$1010 56
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Balance in favor of the Town,	\$25 04

Respectfully submitted,

D. F. SMITH,	} <i>Overseers</i>
J. MILO SKINNER,	
C. P. BULLARD,	

of
Poor.

RUTLAND, FEB. 15, 1883.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

F. R. FOSTER, TREASURER.

1882.	DR.	
Feb. 15,	Balance in the Treasury,	\$7,080 88
Mar. 31,	Rec'd of the People's Savings Bank,	2,000 00
May 30,	" " D. Demond, auctioneer's license,	2 00
June 26,	" " D. F. Smith, cash borrowed,	200 00
" 27,	" " E. W. Scott, " "	150 00
Aug. 5,	" " H. W. Bigelow, for grass in cemetery,	5 00
Sept. 1,	" " Webster Savings Bank,	15,000 00
Oct. 7,	" " M. R. Moulton, for shingles,	5 00
" 21,	" " City of Fitchburg, for little children,	11 25
Dec. 6,	" " State Treasurer, corporation tax,	1 02
" " "	" " " " National bank tax,	9 23
" " "	" " " " Relief of indigent Soldiers and Sailors,	104 42
" 29,	" " Overseers of the Poor,	27 00
1883.		
Jan. 1,	" " County Treasurer, dog fund,	105 28
" 26,	" " State Treasurer, school fund,	224 24
	Interest on Taxes,	43 20
	Amount of Tax bills,	12,379 41
Feb. 14,	" " G. S. Putnam, use of hearse,	1 40
" "	Error on order,	2 50
" "	" " Albert Rogers, on note,	17 59
" 15,	" " H. H. Welsh, cash overdrawn,	2 00
		<hr/> \$37,371 42

1882.	CR.	
By Notes and interest paid,		\$22,268 90
" Assessors' abatements on taxes,		239 65
" Town abatements on taxes,		143 33
" State tax paid,		520 00
" County tax paid,		347 00
" Paying 230 Orders drawn by Selectmen,		7397 73
" Corporation tax,		53 43
		<hr/> \$30,970 04
Balance in Treasury, Feb. 15, including Tax bills,		<hr/> \$6,401 38

Respectfully submitted,

F. R. FOSTER, *Treasurer.*

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1883.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT,

For the Year ending February 15, 1883.

APPROPRIATIONS.

State Tax,	\$520 00
County Tax,	347 00
Town Grant,	11500 00
Overlayings,	12 41
	<hr/> \$12,379 41

CURRENT EXPENSES.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Geo. A. Putnam,	\$26 45
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SELECTMEN.

Paid Menzies R. Moulton,	\$38 00
Benjamin F. Browning,	33 00
Richman H. Potter,	15 00
	<hr/> \$86 00

ASSESSORS.

Paid Alonzo Davis,	\$35 90
John W. Munroe,	38 00
Fred S. Hunt,	35 00
	<hr/> \$108 90

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid David F. Smith,	\$26 50
J. Milo Skinner,	22 00
Cyrus P. Bullard,	13 90
	<hr/> \$62 40

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Charles R. Bartlett,	\$37 50	
Helen H. Welsh,	37 00	
Lawton T. Hadley,	37 00	
	<hr/>	\$111 50

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid Freeman R. Foster,	37 00
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CONSTABLES.

Paid Freeman R. Foster,	12 00	
Benjamin F. Browning,	16 70	
George S. Putnam,	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$36 70

SEXTONS.

Paid Walter H. Forbes,	\$11 21	
George S. Putnam,	12 50	
	<hr/>	\$23 71

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid Elmina A. Foster,	\$52 00
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REPAIRING ROADS.

Paid Geo. B. Munroe,	\$9 67
Moses B. Allen,	144 90
Joseph Valley,	6 67
Michael Leary,	2 74
Daniel Demond,	38 83
Levi H. Stearns,	59 27
Walter C. Boyce,	50 84
Cyrus B. Bullard,	45 50
Michael Loughman,	57 28
Frederick S. Hunt,	62 40
Asa Baker,	13 32
James M. Taylor,	94 92
Charles Hooker,	45 81
Joseph Davis,	39 17
Dennis O'Herron,	30 83
Patrick Delehanty,	11 00
Edwin J. Miles,	41 50
Lawson S. Brigham,	39 00
Joel Stone,	8 44
John B. Wells,	40 73
H. E. Wheeler,	55 51
Schuyler Prouty,	4 49
Era C. Dudley,	65 82

Paid J. W. Bigelow,	1 67	
Edward Bigelow,	49 59	
Joseph Miles,	45 96	
Henry D. Rice,	46 00	
John N. Sargent,	47 00	
Henry F. Thomas,	34 84	
Charles G. Pratt,	29 16	
James S. Kennon,	89 35	
Benj. F. Browning,	4 30	
Henry Moore,	62 15	
Charles R. Bartlett,	5 67	
Daniel R. Wheeler,	32 75	
Granville K. Hadley,	2 50	
M. Myron Smith,	6 42	
John B. Buttrick,	5 29	
Richman H. Potter,	10 52	
Menzies R. Moulton,	7 17	
Moses B. Allen,	21 00	
George W. Hudson,	1 66	
Rufus B. Miles,	25 03	
Total,		\$1496 67

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid Joseph Newcomb,	\$1 83	
John D. Clair,	15 29	
Eliphus Smith,	1 33	
Francis Strong,	4 00	
Geo. L. Lockwood,	2 33	
Edward W. Hubbard,	43 13	
Zebulon Strong, Jr.	4 00	
Henry Strong,	4 00	
James M. Taylor,	37 66	
Merrill Chickering,	14 83	
Chester W. Dodge,	7 36	
Michael Leary,	17 50	
Daniel Demond,	5 76	
Roland C. Prescott,	49 58	
Albert B. Pratt,	29 73	
Cyrus P. Bullard,	2 83	
Elijah Goulding,	51 08	
A. B. Sawyer, for Warren K. Bryant,	39 04	
Frederick S. Hunt,	18 03	
Daniel Spooner,	8 76	
Joseph Davis,	35 23	
Dennis O'Herron,	9 33	
Patrick Delahanty,	2 16	
Edwin J. Miles,	1 67	
Lawson S. Brigham,	25 16	

Paid George P. Woodis,	43 50
Moses B. Allen,	25 49
J. W. Bigelow,	1 67
Richard Cody,	38 99
Edward Bigelow,	29 92
Joseph Miles,	20 07
Henry D. Rice,	13 50
John N. Sargent,	41 58
Henry F. Thomas,	11 50
Charles G. Pratt,	28 87
James S. Kennan,	22 67
Benj. F. Browning,	2 00
George W. Cowden,	25 85
Henry Moore,	9 34
Charles R. Bartlett,	13 00
Daniel R. Wheeler,	19 92
Thomas L. Campbell,	6 67
George T. Baker,	2 25
Michael Loughman,	2 33
Alfred Hatstatt,	5 24
Richman H. Potter,	4 10
James Hunter,	4 50
Asa F. Brooks,	4 50
M. Myron Smith,	9 83
George W. Hudson,	50
Rufus B. Miles,	11 00
George S. Putnam,	1 50
George B. Munroe,	16 66
Herman N. Bemis,	1 00
Total,	<hr/> \$849 57

Paid Orders of School Committee,	\$2338 81
Paid Orders of Overseers of Poor,	\$867 43

STATE AID.

Paid Willard S. Woodis,	\$270 53
Myron J. Kennon,	9 43

INCIDENTALS.

Paid M. R. Moulton, stationery, &c.	\$1 98
E. H. Tripp, printing,	30 75
M. R. Moulton, bridge plank,	6 52
M. R. Moulton, shingles, School No. 9.	17 50
D. M. Parker, bridge plank,	23 72
E. H. Tripp, printing,	26 75
George Calhoun, land damage,	158 66
Ebenezer Wellington, repairing bridge,	25 73

Paid M. R. Moulton, shingling schoolhouse No. 9,	8 00
L. H. Stearns, new bridge,	19 67
Michael Loughman, railing highway,	22 91
Michael Loughman, horse hire, &c.,	3 00
Fred S. Hunt, repairing bridge,	7 73
Geo. A Putnam, surveying, &c., new road	10 00
S. W. Fay, railing highway,	4 00
E. Demond & Co., nails and spikes,	3 08
Edward C. Allen, building 108 rods new road,	264 61
D. M. Parker, bridge plank,	18 04
Abel Baker, ringing bell,	44 00
Henry Moore, repairing bridge,	25 29
B. F. Browning, for stove,	4 50
E. H. Tripp, printing,	3 00
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	\$730 03

EXPENSES ON TOWN HALL REPAIRS.

Paid B. F. Browning, lumber and teaming,	\$99 10
E. Demond & Co., glass, putty, &c.,	6 56
Geo. W. Hudson, labor,	52 50
E. G. Higgins, Worcester, for wall paper,	16 09
M. R. Moulton, labor, and Geo. S. Putnam, labor, paint stock, &c.,	82 33
David F. Putnam, labor,	6 00
Lyman A. Baker, labor,	14 00
Simeon D. Taylor, labor,	5 00
Duncan & Goodell, Worcester,	75
E. Demond & Co., hooks, etc.,	3 59
W. H. Forbes, for paper, &c.,	3 88
B. F. Browning, error,	80
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	\$290 60

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Clerk,	\$26 45
Selectmen,	86 00
Assessors,	108 90
Overseers of Poor,	62 40
School Committee,	111 50
Collector and Treasurer,	37 00
Constables,	36 70
Sextons,	23 71
Public Library,	52 00
Repairing Roads,	1496 67
Breaking Roads,	849 57
Public Schools,	2338 81
Overseers' Orders,	867 43

Paid State Aid,	279 96
Incidentals,	730 03
Expenses on Town Hall repairs,	290 60
	<hr/> \$7397 73

Which is the whole amount of orders drawn by the Selectmen the past year.

PRESENT LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Due People's Savings Bank, Worcester,	\$2000 00
State Mutual Life Assurance Co.,	6000 00
Worcester County Institution for Savings,	15000 00
We estimate Breaking Roads,	100 00
	<hr/> \$23100 00

RESOURCES.

250 Shares Mass. Central R. R. Stock.	
Due from Albert Rogers, for land,	\$72 37
State Aid due from State,	35 56
In hands of Treasurer,	6401 38
Due from Mass. Central R. R. Co.	40 76
	<hr/> \$6550 07
Balance against the Town,	\$16550 93
Showing a gain since the last Town Report of	\$3381 72

GUIDE POSTS.

In obedience to the law of the Commonwealth, we report in regard to Guide Posts, that they are erected in the following places.

One at the junction of the road leading from Barre to Paxton, at West Rutland. One near Era C. Dudley's. One near Miles Holden's. One near Elias F. Meade's. One near Centre Post Office. One near the old Hotel. One near D. W. Fletcher's. One near W. H. Bartlett's. One near Benj. Allen's. One near Alfred Hattatt's. One near No. 1 School house. One near John C. Greenleaf's. One near Daniel R. Wheeler's. One near Moses B. Smith place. One near New Boston mill. One near Erastus Dean. One near Daniel Nihins. One near Charles R. Bartlett.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON, } *Selectmen of*
B. F. BROWNING, } *Rutland.*

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths were recorded for 1882.

B I R T H S .

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE OF BIRTH.
Mary Ellen,	Michael and M. Jennie Loughman,	Jan. 24, 1882.
Jennie Malvina,	Henry and Lorinda R. Strong,	April 4, "
Anna Isadore,	Edward and Flora A. Clark,	May 11, "
Nellie Flossie,	Mary A. Cowden,	" 11, "
William Leland,	Elijah and Mary L. Goulding,	" 13, "
Mary,	James and Ellen Scott,	" 15, "
Harry,	Alsene St. George and Susan A. Cowden,	" 25, "
Olive Maria,	Stephen J. and Cora L. Locke,	June 30, "
Julia,	Michael and Margaret Cullens,	" 30, "
Grace Elvina,	Lawton T. and Hattie E. Hadley,	July 13, "
Cyrus Lord,	Frank L. and Sarah E. Bryant,	" 15, "
William Wallace,	Lyman E. and Emma F. Wilson,	" 23, "
Bertha Mabel,	James T. and Marion W. Earley,	Aug. 4, "
Robert Lester,	William R. and Mary E. Cummings,	" 15, "
Henry Homer,	Engene T. and Asela O. Barlow,	Sept. 2, "
Timothy,	Rev. Timothy and Mary S. Lyman,	" 14, "
Fred. Lewis,	Ahira L. and Lizzetta E. Chamberlin,	Oct. 23, "
Belle Amelia,	George T. and Annie E. Baker,	Nov. 19, "
Belle,	Lyman F. and Mary R. Partridge,	Dec. 1, "
Charles Arthur,	Amos and Hattie A. Strong,	" 4, "

M A R R I A G E S .

March 27, 1882,	Hiram Edward Wheeler and Nancy Della Putnam, both of Rutland.
May 23, "	Paul Johnson and Lucy Ellen Maynard, both of Holden.
June 1, "	Fred. Scoville Hunt and Abbie Rebecca Wales, both of Rutland.
Sept. 16, "	Henry Franklin Thomas of Rutland and Mrs. Jane Ramsdell of Worcester.
Oct. 15, "	Joseph Millett of Worcester and Rosalia T. Davis of Princeton.
Oct. 23, "	Frederic A. Bush and Mattie E. Frost both of New Braintree.
Oct. 24, "	Nelson T. Frink and Addie D. Ware, both of Paxton.
Nov. 16, "	Levant Lewis Mellen and Mary E. Hammond, both of Rutland.
Nov. 21, "	Edward H. Dwelley and Emma F. Robinson, both of Oakham.

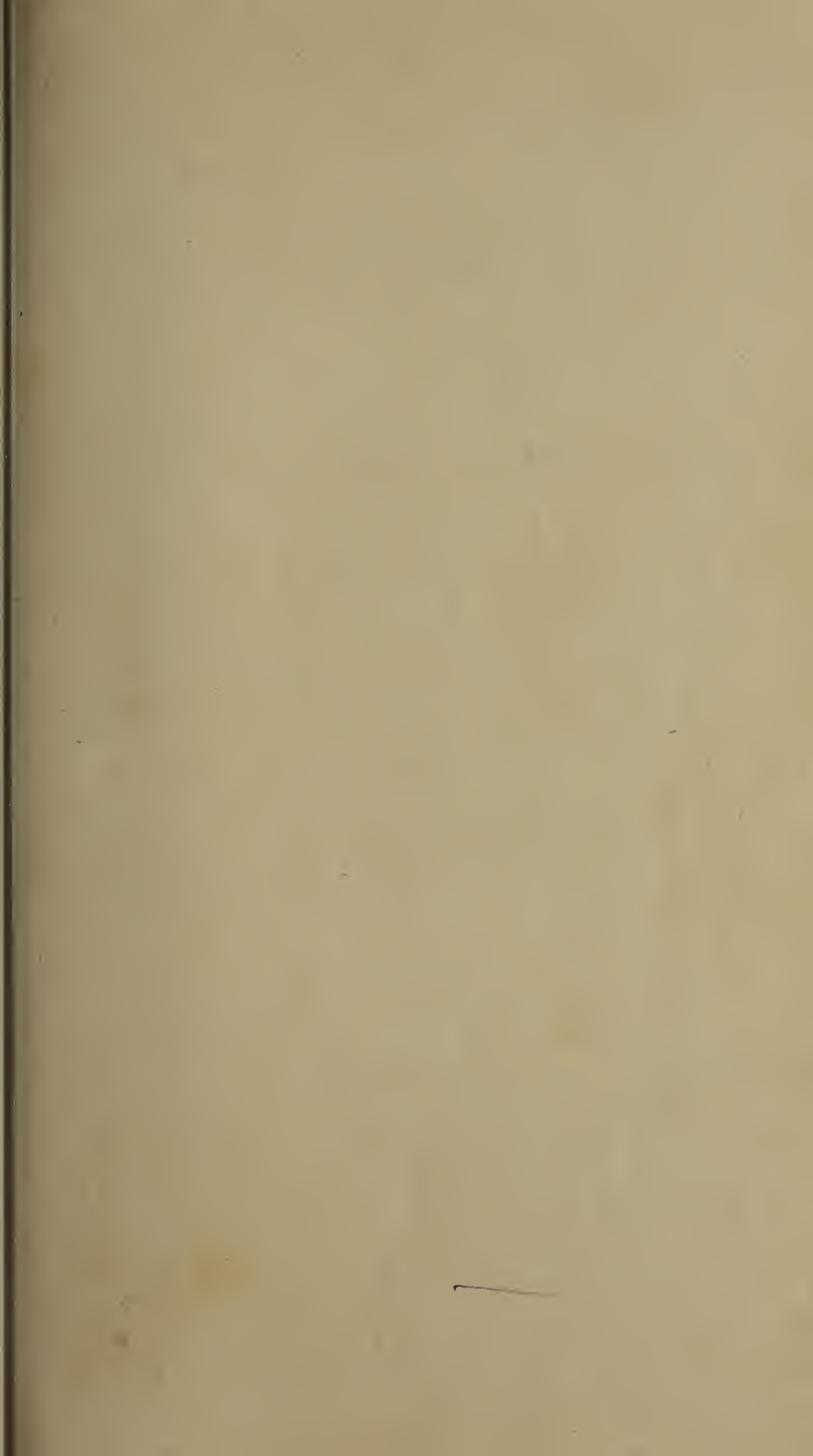
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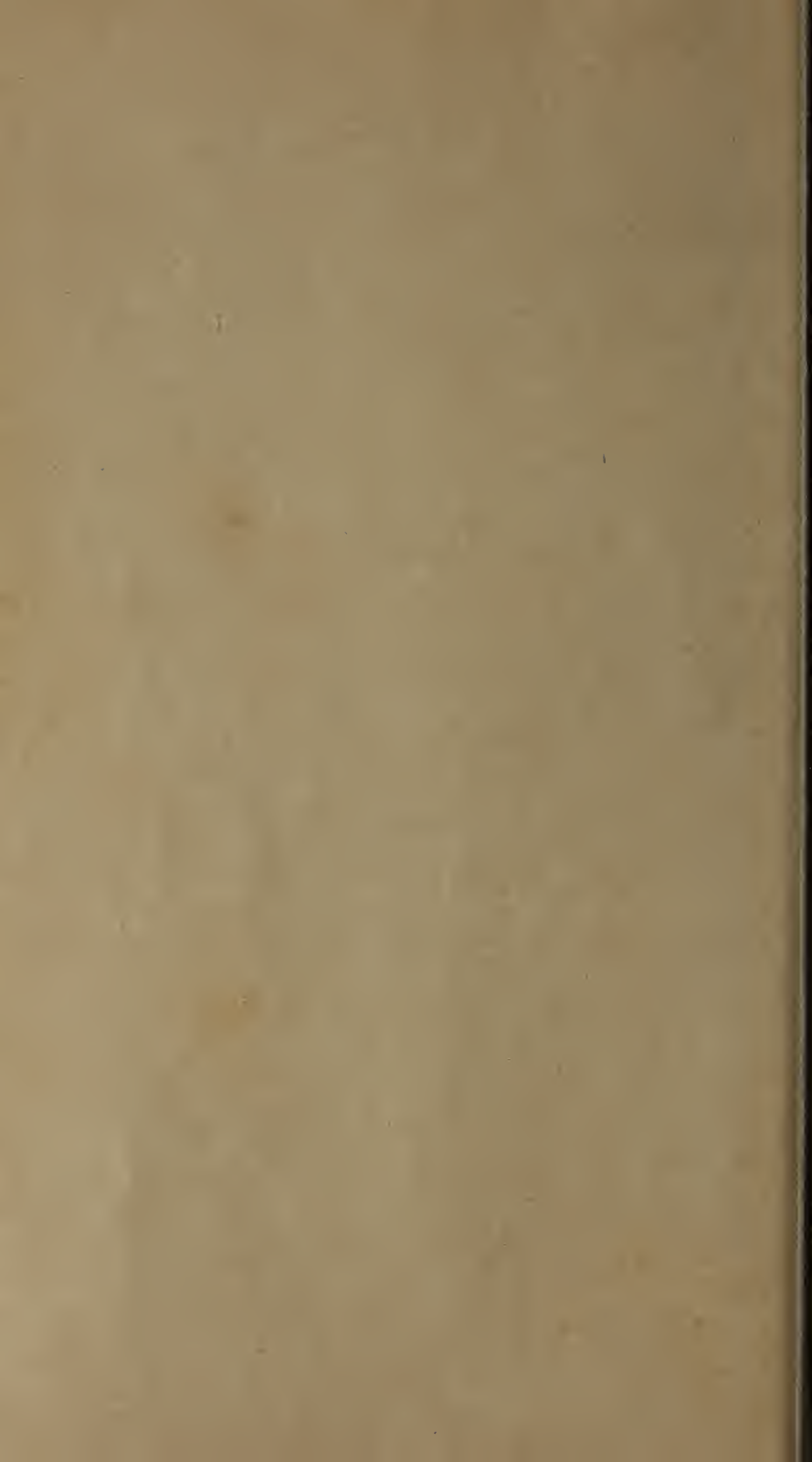
The first three deaths were not returned to me in season to be printed in last year's Report.

		Aged	95 years,	1 month,	21 days.
April 6, 1881,	Mrs. Sally S. Estabrook,	"	91	"	4
July 28, "	Mrs. Priscilla Fairbank,	"	47	"	11
Sept. 21, "	Mrs. Mary Jane Wheeler,	"	63	"	1
Jan. 16, 1882.	Abram Hagar Temple,	"	84	"	9
" 5, "	Sewall Stone,	"	76	"	2
March 28, "	William B. Foster,	"	64	"	11
April 28, "	Mrs. Sarah A. Smith,	"	26	"	6
May 9, "	Joseph Wall, Jr.	"	61	"	9
June 23, "	Mrs. Adaline E. Baker,	"	20	"	3
July 13, "	Anna Conlan.	"	66	"	29
Sept. 15, "	Albert L. Barton,	"	29	"	18
" 16, "	William H. Healy,	"	84	"	3
" 24, "	Warren K. Bryant,	"	67	"	9
Oct. 1, "	Mrs. Mary Williamson,	"	25	"	10
" 9, "	Mrs. Rosanah S. Stackpole,	"	75	"	8
Nov. 15, "	Mrs. Emma F. Forbush,	"	77	"	11
" 20, "	Joseph Wall,	"	65	"	11
Dec. 22, "	Mrs. Melissa Read Hadley,	"		"	
" 27, "	Mrs. Amelia A. Putnam,	"		"	

And two stillborn.

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, TOWN CLERK.





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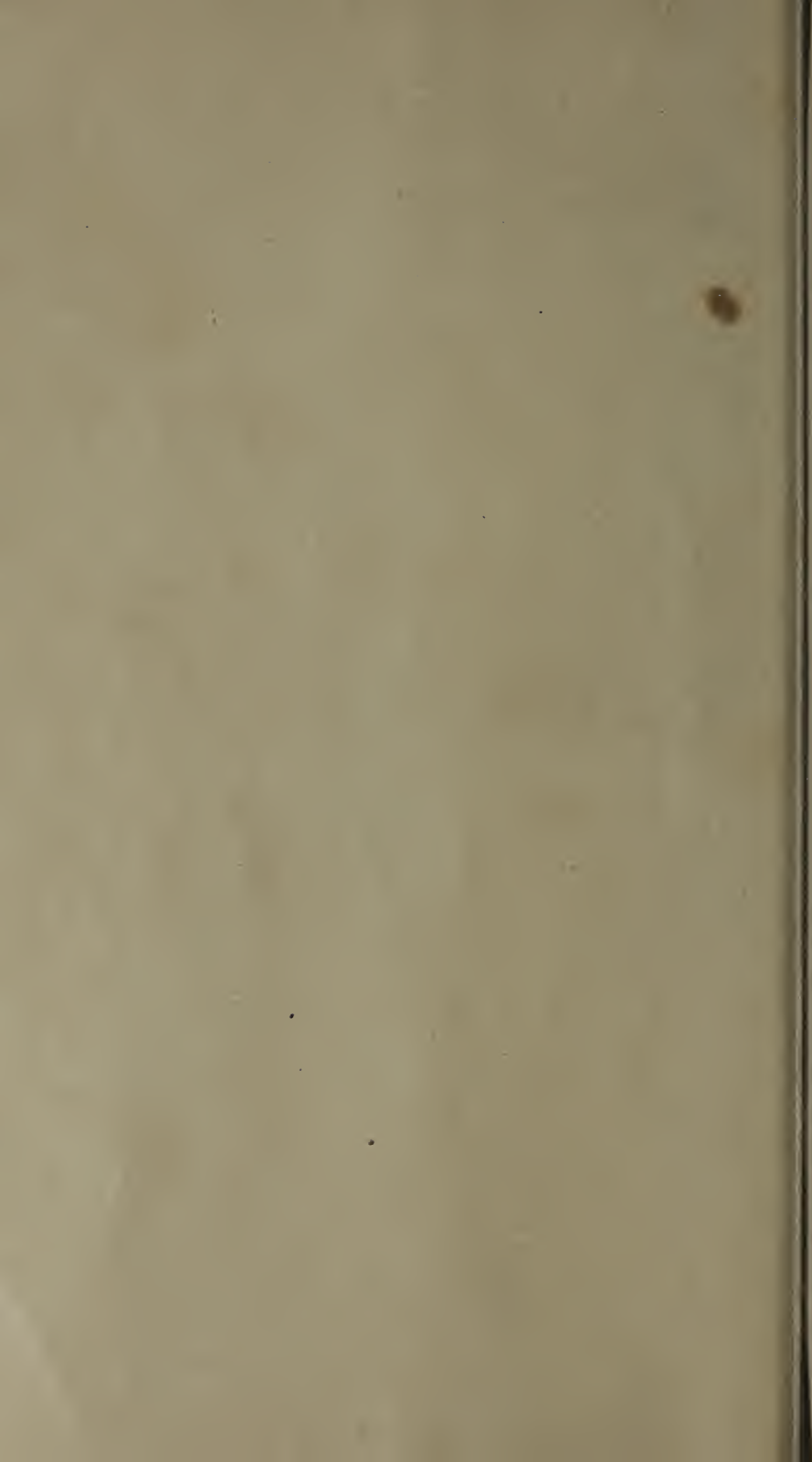
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For the Year Ending February 15th, 1884.

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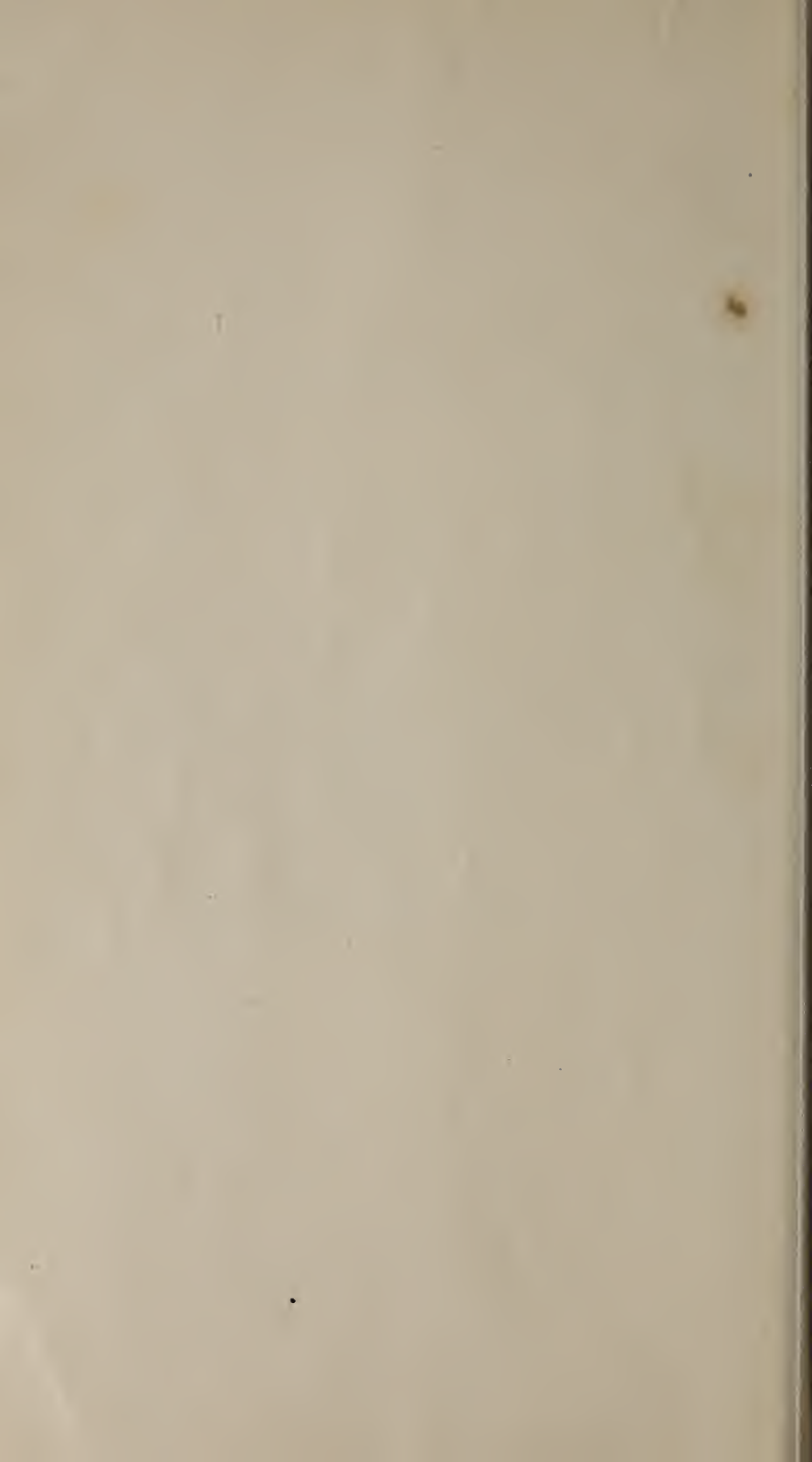
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REPORT

OF THE

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

FEBRUARY 14TH, 1884.

DR.

To interest on real and personal estate, appraised February 14th, 1883, at \$4,377 36,	\$262 64
To cash due from E. W. Hubbard, Feb. 15, 1883,	25 04
To salary of Warden for the year ending Feb, 14, 1884,	365 00
Decrease in appraisal of personal property,	63 84
Due E. W. Hubbard, on book account,	57 25
Cash received of Town Treasury,	804 50
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	\$1,578 27

CR.

By balance paid E. W. Hubbard,	\$378 57
Order of E. W. Hubbard,	119 50
State Lunatic Asylum bill,	193 57
Town of Grafton bill,	24 28
Town of Ashland bill,	17 25
George S. Putnam, for coffin and robe,	19 33
Mrs. Dana, for A. Preston,	6 75
Overseers' services,	45 25
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	\$804 50

Which leaves a balance of \$773 77

As the expenses of supporting Paupers at the Almshouse the past year.

The whole number relieved and supported the past year was 32. Of this number 20 were travelers. Expense of travelers \$5.00. Number fully supported, 12. Average number, 8 7-10. Cost per week of supporting paupers at almshouse, \$1.71.

EXPENSE OF SUPPORTING PAUPERS OUT OF THE ALMSHOUSE.

Paid State Lunatic Asylum for W. O. Smith,	\$193 57	
Town of Grafton for S. A. Stratton,	24 28	
Town of Ashland for E. Rice,	17 25	
Mrs. Dana for Ashael S. Preston,	6 75	
George S. Putnam for coffin and robe for A. T. Pollard,	19 33	
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		\$261 18
Overseers' services,		45 25
Expense of supporting paupers at Almshouse,		773 77
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Making a total of		\$1,080 20
As the expense of supporting paupers the past year.		
Received of Joshua Pollard estate for A. T. Pollard,	\$100 00	
Received of B. F. Browning for Davis Browning,	58 45	
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		\$158 45
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Making a total of		\$921 75
As the expense of supporting the town and other paupers the past year.		

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY,

AS APPRAISED BY THE OVERSEERS, FEBRUARY 14, 1884.

Real estate,	\$2,500 00
Farming tools and household furniture,	595 00
Horse,	65 00
Oxen,	165 00
11 cows,	352 00
3 two-year old heifers,	54 00
2 calves,	22 00
1 hog,	15 00
3 shoats,	24 00
25 fowls,	17 50
13 tons of English hay,	234 00
6 tons of meadow hay and straw,	48 00
41 bushels of oats,	24 60
2½ bushels of barley,	2 50

5½ bushels of rye,	5 50
45 bushels of corn,	36 00
75 bushels of potatoes,	26 25
Garden vegetables,	5 00
Apples and dried apples,	4 50
Boiled cider vinegar,	26 20
Salt pork and hams,	20 00
Salt beef,	10 00
Lard,	2 40
Butter and cheese,	5 96
Beans,	1 00
Flour and meal,	10 10
Tea, sugar, molasses,	3 00
Tallow and candles,	5 00
Lead, glass and nails,	2 50
Soap,	3 81
Lumber,	3 00
Barb wire,	4 70
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	\$4,293 52

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

Bought flour, meal and crackers,	\$294 01
Meat and fish,	36 62
Tea, sugar and molasses,	66 04
Spice, cream tartar and soda,	8 58
Cloth, yarn and thread,	14 84
Grinding grain,	3 35
Tobacco and pipes,	9 34
Oil, stove polish, etc.	2 24
Tin, earthen and glass ware,	7 19
Matches, soap, salt,	12 74
Boots and shoes,	4 35
Making cider,	94
Paper and brooms,	1 95
Blacksmithing,	8 05
Farming tools and use of the same, barbed wire,	57 97
Stock keeping and use of same,	20 00
Grass and other seeds,	13 46
Paris green, lime, phosphate,	31 95
Repairing buildings, etc.,	105 71
Labor,	175 60
Medicine,	3 10
Wood,	1 32
Rent of pasture,	18 00
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	\$897 35

SUMMARY OF INCOME AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

Sold 1,518 pounds of butter,	\$425 79
Eggs and poultry,	19 96
Grass and other seeds,	3 00
Meadow hay and straw,	28 18
Board,	57 46
Labor,	3 25
Vegetables,	31 75
Stock and use of same,	146 12
Milk,	29
Cash of overseers,	120 30
Rags and feathers,	4 00
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	\$840 10
Amount of expense,	\$897 35
Amount of income,	840 10
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Balance due Warden,	\$57 25

Respectfully submitted,

D. F. SMITH,	} <i>Overscers</i>
J. MILO SKINNER,	
C. P. BULLARD,	

of
the Poor.

Rutland, February 14, 1884.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

F. R. FOSTER, TREASURER.

1883.

DR.

Feb. 15, Balance in the treasury,	\$6,401 38
Feb. 15, Received of the town of Paxton, school money,	5 40
March 7, " of overseers of poor, on A. T. Pollard account,	100 00
March 8, Received of town of Holden, school money,	42 75
May 23, " of Thomas Bond, on A. Roger's note,	72 73
July 28, " of M. R. Moulton, for grass in cemetery,	5 00
Dec. 7, " of state treasurer, corporation tax,	96
" " " " " national bank tax,	17 42
" " " " " relief of indigent soldiers,	132 53

1884.

Jan. 1, Received of county treasurer, dog fund,	\$122 62
Jan. 10, " of Daniel Demond, auctioneer license,	2 00
Jan. 24, " of overseers of poor, on account of D. Browning,	58 45
Jan. 31, Received of state treasurer, school fund,	221 04
" " " of interest on taxes,	35 55
" " " of amount of tax bills,	6,519 00
	<hr/> \$13,736 83

1883.

CR.

By notes and interest paid,	\$2,420 00
By assessors abatements on taxes,	27 00
By town abatement on taxes,	37 64
By state tax paid,	420 00
By county tax paid,	376 00
By paying 216 orders drawn by selectmen,	6,490 84
	<hr/> \$9,771 48
Balance in treasury Feb. 15, including tax bills,	<hr/> \$3,965 35

Respectfully submitted,

F. R. FOSTER, *Treasurer.*

Rutland, February 15, 1884.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT,

For the Year ending February 15, 1884.

APPROPRIATIONS.

State Tax,	\$420 00
County Tax,	376 00
Town Grant,	5500 00
Overlays on Taxes,	223 00
	<hr/> \$6519 00

CURRENT EXPENSES.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Geo. A. Putnam,	\$28 36
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SELECTMEN.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	\$34 00
Francis G. Bartlett,	26 00
Geo. B. Munroe,	26 00
	<hr/> \$86 00

ASSESSORS.

Paid Alonzo Davis,	27 50
John W. Munroe,	33 00
Fred. S. Hunt,	27 50
	<hr/> \$88 00

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid David F. Smith,	\$22 50
J. Milo Skinner,	12 25
Cyrus P. Bullard,	10 50
	<hr/> \$45 25

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Chas. R. Bartlett,	\$21 00
Helen H. Welsh,	40 00
Lawton T. Hadley,	50 50
Walter C. Boyce,	34 00
	<hr/> \$145 50

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid Freeman R. Foster,	\$35 00
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CONSTABLE.

Paid Freeman R. Foster,	\$12 00
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SEXTONS.

Paid Geo. S. Putnam,	\$25 75
Ebenezer Willington,	3 50
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	\$29 25

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid Almira A. Foster,	\$52 00
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HIGHWAY SURVEYORS—REPAIRING ROADS.

Paid Henry D. Rice,	\$10 00
John D. Clair,	5 29
Daniel Spooner,	15 43
Daniel McCarty,	4 61
Richard Cody,	11 75
Michael Leary,	14 50
Edwin J. Miles,	25 82
John D. Clair,	26 83
Henry Moore,	42 16
Ivory Wales,	40 66
Michael Leary,	18 50
Charles G. Pratt,	4 97
Hiram J. Davis,	3 65
Walter C. Boyce,	40 61
Era C. Dudley,	50 67
Fred. S. Hunt,	55 50
Michael Loughman,	55 39
James M. Taylor,	54 33
Henry A. Kennon,	89 67
Elijah Goulding,	44 00
John D. Clair,	14 16
Daniel Spooner,	33 18
Richard Cody,	20 32
Henry D. Rice,	47 74
Lawson S. Brigham,	44 84
John B. Wells,	79 75
Joseph Davis,	36 00
Rufus B. Miles,	34 49
Edwin J. Miles,	23 49
John W. Munroe,	45 09
John N. Sargent,	49 30
Moses B. Allen,	157 88
Stephen P. Allen,	50 77
Ivory Wales	24 33
Merrill Chickering,	5 99

Paid James Hunter,	6 35
“ “	47 46
Joseph Miles,	30 15
Asa Baker,	5 01
Henry Moore,	24 33
Edmund Clark,	4 49
Schuyler Prouty,	17 17
Dennis O'Heron,	35 00
Joseph Valley,	9 08
Wm. H. Barr,	24 49
Geo. W. Leadbetter,	6 67
Dennis Gleason,	4 33
Thomas Bond,	40 92
John B. Wells,	1 00
S. Prouty & Son,	1 50
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	\$1540 62

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid Merrill Chickering,	\$7 75
Michael Loughman,	30 99
Benjamin Allen,	11 00
Henry D. Rice,	10 33
Daniel Spooner,	8 33
Daniel McCarthy,	5 16
Richard Cody,	14 02
Era C. Dudley,	23 58
Edward Mellen,	9 41
Joseph Miles,	18 00
Michael Leary,	3 50
Edwin J. Miles,	6 16
Henry Moore,	7 16
Edward F. Preston,	1 00
Charles G. Pratt,	4 33
Elijah Goulding,	10 49
Walter C. Boyce,	17 67
Fred. S. Hunt,	10 75
Levi H. Stearns,	3 98
James M. Taylor,	23 50
Henry A. Kennon,	16 71
Elijah Goulding,	15 16
Cyrus P. Bullard,	6 67
Wm. D. Hatch,	1 83
John D. Clair,	18 16
Richard Cody,	11 66
Lawson S. Brigham,	15 49
John B. Wells,	4 78
H. E. Wheeler,	8 48
Aiden H. Miles,	5 17
Joseph M. Moulton,	1 67
Joseph Davis,	19 32

Paid Rufus B. Miles,	6 66	
Edwin J. Miles,	12 83	
John W. Munroe,	6 75	
John N. Sargent,	30 50	
Moses B. Allen,	6 59	
Stephen P. Allen,	5 52	
Alonzo Davis,	1 50	
Timothy Lyman,	1 21	
Ivory Wales,	7 33	
Merrill Chickering,	9 92	
James Hunter,	9 83	
Daniel R. Wheeler,	11 16	
Nathan T. Rogers,	1 83	
Elbridge Acker,	1 83	
Joseph Miles,	17 32	
H. N. Bemis,	75	
Geo. P. Woodis,	1 79	
Chas. R. Bartlett,	2 33	
Dennis O'Herron,	8 50	
Joseph Valley,	1 75	
Wm. H. Barr,	7 49	
Geo. W. Leadbetter,	5 45	
Cha's E. Read,	2 32	
Dennis Gleason,	5 83	
J. B. Wells,	2 33	
J. M. Skinner,	82	
	<hr/>	523 84

STATE AID.

Paid M. J. Kennon,	8 38	
Willard S. Woodis,	265 35	
Roswell Bemis,	84 00	
	<hr/>	\$357 73
Paid Orders School Committee,		\$2317 73
Paid Orders Overseers of Poor,		\$759 33

EXPENSES ON TOWN HALL.

Paid E. Demond & Co., paint,	\$37 17	
E. Muzzy, labor,	16 67	
L. A. Baker, labor,	14 75	
M. R. Moulton,	6 50	
	<hr/>	\$75 09

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Paid E. H. Tripp, for printing,	\$30 00	
M. McClellan, lamps for Town hall,	8 50	
E. Demond & Co., exp. for flag, flannel, &c.	3 06	
F. R. Foster, money paid,	25	
E. H. Tripp, printing,	25 00	

Paid Wm. Brown, road scraper,	100 00	
Michael Loughman, gravel,	5 80	
Richard Cody, R. R. bridge,	36 19	
Henry D. Rice, railing,	7 30	
Peter O'Connor, rep. scraper,	2 00	
Abel Baker, ringing bell,	23 00	
Edwin J. Miles, bridge plank,	5 87	
Stationery for Assessors,	1 08	
B. W. Potter, on McGrath case,	5 00	
Geo. A. Putnam, making bier,	3 40	
Cha's R. Bartlett, gravel,	46 35	
J. M. Taylor, repairing bank wall, &c.	25 00	
Moses B. Allen, monuments,	5 00	
Ivory Wales, bridge,	35 83	
Abel Baker, bell ringing,	23 00	
D. F. Smith, rep. hearse,	1 25	
Town of Barre,	75	
Stationery for Selectmen,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$395 13

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Clerk,	\$28 36	
Selectmen,	86 00	
Assessors,	88 00	
Overseers,	45 25	
School Committee,	145 50	
Collector and Treasurer,	35 00	
Constable,	12 00	
Sextons,	29 25	
Librarian,	52 00	
Repairing roads,	1540 62	
Breaking roads,	523 84	
State aid,	357 73	
Schools,	2317 73	
Overseers' orders,	759 33	
Town Hall,	75 09	
Incidentals,	395 13	
Making 216 Orders, amounting to	<hr/>	\$6490 84

PRESENT LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

State Mutual Life Assurance Company's note and interest,	\$6,110 00	
Worcester County Savings Bank note and interest,	15,275 00	
	<hr/>	\$21,385 00

RESOURCES.

250 shares Mass. Central R. R. stock	
State aid due from state	\$210 25
Due from Mass. Central R. R. Company,	76 95
In hands of treasurer,	3,965 35
In hands of town hall janitor,	5 41
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	4,257 96
Balance against the town of	\$17,127 04

GUIDE POSTS.

In obedience to the laws of the Commonwealth, we report in regard to guide posts, that they are erected in the following places: One at the junction of the road leading from Barre to Paxton, at West Rutland. One near Era C. Dudley's. One near Miles Holden's. One near Centre Post Office. One near the new hotel. One near D. W. Fletcher's. One near Walter H. Bartlett's. One near Benj. Allen's. One near Alfred Hatstatt's. One near No. 1 school house. One near Johu C. Greenleaf's. One near D. R. Wheeler's. One near the Moses B. Smith place. One near the New Boston Mill. One near Erastus Dean's. One near Charles E. Ried's. One near Daniel Nihin's, and one near Charles R. Bartlett's.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
F. G. BARTLETT,	
GEO. B. MUNROE,	

of Rutland.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths were recorded for 1883.

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE OF BIRTH.
Walter Edwin,	Edwin J. and Carrie H. Miles,	Jan. 10, 1883
Joseph William,	Peter and Mary E. O'Connor,	" 17, "
Laura Louise,	Rev. George S. and Laura M. Dodge,	" 22, "
Mary Emily,	Henry C. and Harriet M. W. Bliss,	Feb. 9, "
Marion Elizabeth,	" "	" 9, "
Frank,	Joseph and Mary Jane Lavuelette,	" 9, "
Charles Allen,	Elmer B. and Sarah A. Wood,	" 19, "
John William,	Owen and Catharine McGann,	" 26, "
Franklin James,	Myron J. and Helen E. Kennen,	" 28, "
Walter Emerson,	George W. and Addie L. Handy,	March 9, "
Bessie Lenora,	George W. and Lizzie T. Pierce,	May 2, "
Harold Munroe,	Walter H. and S. Frances Bartlett,	June 13, "
Jennie May,	Albert D. and Mary Jane Roper,	" 24, "
George Roswell,	Herman N. and Emma A. Bemis,	Aug. 16, "
Walter Eugene,	E. Eugene and Emma J. Stone,	" 18, "
Frank Wilbur,	Cyrus P. and Betsey E. Bullard,	Sept. 5, "
Ernest Anelious,	Anelious O. and Minnie C. Chickering,	" 21, "
Margaret,	Dennis and Margaret O'Herron,	" 25, "
George Ethelbert,	Dennis A. and Lydia G. Smith,	" 27, "
John,	Daniel and Margaret Nihin,	Nov. 2, "
Robert Davis,	Walter A. and Jennie F. Hunter,	Dec. 25, "

MARRIAGES.

April 10, 1883.	William Henry Hammond and Clara A. Sargent, both of Rutland.
" 15, "	Anelious O. Chickering of Rutland and Minnie C. Cummings of Paxton.
May 13, "	Daniel W. Leary and Mary Gleason, both of Rutland.
" 29, "	John Greenwood of Hardwick and Lillie J. Taylor of Rutland.
June 2, "	David Hallowell and Harriet S. Henry, both of Oakham.
" 23, "	George F. Hastings and Betsey M. Walker, both of Spencer.
Sept. 3, "	Milford A. Page and Abbie A. Hayden, both of Worcester
Nov. 21, "	Arthur J. Osborne of West Springfield and Mary F. Demond of Rutland.

DEATHS.

Jan. 8, 1883,	Frances Elmer Strong,	Aged 2 years, 3 mos. 15 days.
" 11, "	Mrs. Mary L. Kennen,	" 64 " 22 "
" 13, "	Menzies R. Moulton, 2d,	" 22 " 3 " 14 "
" 25, "	Mrs. Alzina L. Hadley,	" 27 " 9 " 16 "
" 26, "	Mrs. Eliza Stone,	" 81 " 28 "
Feb. 1, "	Walter E. Miles,	" " 21 "
" 28, "	Marion E. Bliss,	" " 19 "
Mar. 18, "	Alfred T. Pollard,	" 62 " " "
" 18, "	Rev. Timothy Lyman, (died at Southwest Harbor, Me.)	" 63 " 6 " 17 "
" 30, "	Otis Demond,	" 78 " 7 " 2 "
Apr. 9, "	Walter E. Handy,	" " 25 "
May 1, "	Charles A. Wood,	" " 2 " 12 "
" 31, "	Richman H. Potter,	" 43 " 10 " 25 "
June 8, "	Mrs. Jane Moore,	" 56 " 5 " " "
" 21, "	Charles G. Pratt,	" 63 " 9 " 24 "
July 22, "	Bertha L. Aldrich,	" " 5 " 2 "
" 25, "	Joseph J. Johnson,	" " 6 " 25 "
" 28, "	Bartholomew Greene,	" 86 " 9 " 25 "
Aug. 5, "	Solomon Chickering,	" 77 " 10 " 5 "
" 30, "	Benjamin K. Higgins,	" " 5 " 5 "
Sept. 4, "	Mrs. Chloe B. Smith,	" 78 " 11 " 17 "
Nov. 28, "	Hiram V. Moulton,	" 55 " 4 " 28 "

The following named persons, mostly former residents of Rutland, were brought into town and buried:

Feb. 16, 1883,	Paul Johnson, died at Holden,	Aged 27 years, 9 mos.
" 25, "	Mrs. Nancy C. Stone, died at Worcester,	" 60 " 6 days.
" 25, "	Mrs. Catharine W. Gibbs, died at Leicester,	" 60 " " "
Apr. 21, "	S. Nelson Stone, died at Auburndale,	" 32 " 11 " 27 "
Aug. 14, "	David Orr, died at Holden,	" 72 " " " "
" 19, "	Abbie Wheeler, died at Winslow, Ark.,	" 1 " 2 " 11 "
" 25, "	Mrs. Alice M. Bemis, died at Coldbrook Springs,	" 27 " 11 " 16 "
Dec. 25, "	Mrs. Martha C. Meade, died at Norton,	" 53 " 10 " 11 "

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, TOWN CLERK.

Report of the School Committee.

FELLOW CITIZENS :

The rapid flight of time has once more brought us to the completion of our school year ; and as far as possible, in the brief space allowed us, we place its record before you.

We are glad to report that our schools have all completed the terms assigned them ; and this brings us to the first point to which we wish to call your attention. Our winter schools, so called, were all under way by the first Monday of November, some of them the first of October. By this means, we were enabled to complete the twelve weeks required, before the drifting snows and blockaded roads, which often fall to our lot the latter part of the winter, and which, if they find our schools in session, render them of but little value, are upon us. As it was, our children were attending school when the weather permitted of punctual attendance, and was most favorable for all school work. Now taking it for granted that we all agree that school work is the most important and valuable of any which our children can do, why not let them have the benefit of these golden months for study ?

We believe that our winter schools should all begin by the first of November ; and that if it was understood that they would so begin, the home work could be so planned and executed that any conflict with school duties would be avoided.

The number of schools in town the present year is eleven, and the number of different teachers employed, seventeen. Four have taught for the year, twelve are home teachers, and all but four have had previous experience. The number of scholars enrolled in the school registers is two hundred and thirty-seven. Fifty are over fifteen, and two are under five years of age. Eight are non-residents. The number of minors in town between the years of five and fifteen, as reported by the assessors, May 1st, 1883 was one hundred and eighty-nine.

We have had two terms of school in the centre of the town, ostensibly for the benefit of the more advanced scholars ; but incidentally they have been of great benefit to the younger ones, in all

the schools from which its pupils have been drafted. It is not the number of pupils, but the number of classes which we find in some of our schools that prevent teachers from working to the best advantage. Sometimes the taking of one or two pupils from a school will lessen the number of classes by six or eight, and this time spent with the younger pupils proves of great benefit to them.

Your committee were fortunate enough to secure, for the high school, the services of Mr. William A. Francis, of Fall River, a graduate from Brown University, and as the result, proved well qualified to direct the school. Under his charge, the school took a high standard of thoroughness and practical development. In the fourth week of the winter term he was called to a position in the high school of Concord, Mass., and his successor, Mr. J. N. Eno, while bringing ability and fidelity to the position, and in the face of much adverse criticism, gave a care and anxious thought, both in and out of school, for the welfare and advancement of his pupils, which your committee appreciate and thank him for, yet failed to hold the school to its high standard.

We regard it of high value to the town that at least a fall term of school for advanced scholars, be sustained.

Our teachers are largely drawn from home sources; most of them are unable to obtain other education than our home schools afford; it is therefore certainly for our interests that these advantages be made as liberal as possible.

We report that our common schools have, with two or three exceptions, been satisfactory, and as successful as we had reason to expect. The non-attendance of pupils in some schools has been trying to the teacher's patience, and materially lessened the value of the school.

We ask your more cordial co-operation with teacher and committee, to lessen this evil. The first secretary of the Board of Education, said in his first report, forty-five years ago: "That the object of the common school system of Massachusetts, was to give to every child in the commonwealth, a free, straight, solid pathway, by which he could walk directly up from the ignorance of an infant, to a knowledge of the primary duties of a man, and could acquire a power and an invincible will to discharge them."

He had an abiding faith that the schools would improve, and that the people would keep them well abreast of the progress and prosperity of the commonwealth.

Shall we make an effort to do this?

We have appealed to you in behalf of our teachers, and we now desire to say a few words to them, and to those who hope soon to be in the work.

Do you realize the importance of your calling, and have you fitted, or are you fitting yourself for it?

The teacher is called to fill the parents place in the guidance of the young and pliant minds around them.

The trite old saying :

“ 'Tis education shapes the common mind ;
Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclined,”

should be in every teacher's thought as they guide these minds from day to day. The child is the prepared clay for the moulder's hand ; that hand is the teacher's. How important that careful skill should be possessed by one whose office is so great. Geology tells us of the change from clay to rock. The change from child to man is much the same, and as the master hands be few which can fashion the beautiful statute from the shapeless rock, so the work which the teacher should do with the pliant child can be only done by the few master minds, with the habit-bound man.

The good teacher needs large patience, kindness, firmness, and a power to read the character of the pupils around her. She needs to look far beyond the limits of the text book and be so familiar with the daily affairs of the world that a practical, helpful knowledge will be impressed on the pupil. The day of routine has gone by. To win success, the teacher must be able to lift the daily task from its, to the child, dry surroundings and invest it with an interest which makes the task a pleasure. Some teachers seem to think that the six hours' school-room work is all they are hired and paid for doing. This is a mistake. The welfare of the school should always be the teachers' first thought, and no teacher, however well educated, can work to the best advantage unless all the lessons for each day are carefully prepared in advance.

Teachers are required to care for the moral and physical welfare of their pupils, equally with the mental, and often this care is the hardest part of the teacher's work. Finally, the teacher's calling is so full of responsibility that no one should enter it who is not ready and able to work patiently and faithfully to advance the standard of education, and strive to develop the qualities in those under their care which shall go to make up the true and noble man or woman.

Chapter 44, section 15, of the General Statutes, says : “ It shall be the duty of all instructors of youth, to exert their best endeavors

to impress on the minds of children and youth committed to their care and instruction, the principles of piety and justice and a sacred regard to truth, love of their country, humanity, and universal benevolence, sobriety, industry, and frugality, chastity, moderation and temperance, and those other virtues which are the ornament of human society and the basis upon which a republican constitution is founded; and it shall be the duty of such instructors to endeavor to lead their pupils, as their ages and capacities will admit, into a clear understanding of the tendency of the above mentioned virtues to preserve and perfect a republican constitution, and secure the blessings of liberty as well as to promote their future happiness, and also to point out to them the evil tendency of the opposite vices."

As parents, I again call your attention to the matter of discipline in our schools. The position of the parent in this matter is very important to the success of the teacher in solving this problem. In some cases, we are sorry to say, the parents seem to be in fault as well as teacher and scholar. This is a question you must deal with personally, each for himself and for his own children.

The parent can be of great help to the teacher in this matter, or he can be a still greater "rock of offence." If you think it is for your interest to use your influence against any teacher, please be out-spoken and honest in taking your share in the result of the plan, which will always be the mental and moral debasement of the school.

In the past few years, some cases have arisen where teachers have expelled scholars on their own responsibility. In this they exceed their powers, and are open to legal prosecution by the parties so expelled.

The teacher has power only to suspend them. Their duty then is to immediately submit the case to the school committee, and they can take such action as they judge proper for the best interests of all.

Competent supervision is an essential to the highest success in the management of schools.

There are many questions of school polity which arise, in the decision of which careful and conservative judgment is required.

Our State Board of Education recommends that in small towns, two or more unite to choose a competent supervisor, to take charge of the schools of them all. We believe this to be a step in reform which must sometime be taken by us.

It is also suggested by it where the above plan can not be agreed upon that one of the school committee be selected to have the independent supervision of the schools; as for instance, in some towns one member has control of the primary schools, another of the grammar and high schools, while the third has charge of all supplies and repairs.

About \$33.00 of the amount expended for books was for grammars, the remainder was for desk-books, and for the use of those pupils whose parents refused or neglected to purchase a suitable supply for them. Great care was exercised in selecting a grammar, to choose one superior to the one in use, to be of profit to the town, and we feel well assured by the result of one term's work, that the change was judicious.

Teachers and pupils, with but few exceptions, have welcomed the change, and we know that the added interest in this sometimes neglected study, has amply repaid the town for any money expended.

The most important repairs we have made, are to shingle No. 2 school house, one-half of No. 7, and paper, paint and otherwise repair the inside of Nos. 2 and 8.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	\$2,000 00	
State fund,	224 24	
Dog fund,	105 28	
Tuition due from non-residents,	29 00	
		\$2,358 52

EXPENDITURES.

Teacher's salaries for current year,	\$1,742 50	
Arrears from last year,	163 11	
Fuel and janitors,	208 09	
Repairs,	100 11	
Books,	60 63	
Globes,	5 80	
Incidentals,	37 49	
		\$2,317 73

SCHOOL STATISTICS FOR 1883-4.

SUMMER TERM.

SCHOOLS.	No. of Weeks.	Whole Number of Pupils.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Cases of Tardiness.	No. not Tardy or Absent.	Wages of Teachers per month.	No. of Visitors.
Centre,	12	26	24.75	23.68	39	3	\$32.	18
No. 1,	12	28	25.75	23.65	54	6	26.	11
No. 2,	12	15	15.	14.51	6	11	26.	7
No. 3,	6	5	4.06	3.81	6	0	20.	5
No. 4,	12	16	12.70	11.58	38	1	20.	19
No. 5,	12	26	23.06	21.63	15	4	24.	9
No. 6,	12	11	8.86	7.95	18	1	20.	11
No. 7,	12	15	9.70	7.88	1	2	24.	10
No. 8,	8	18	16.35	15.07	0	3	32.	4
No. 8, Fall,	8	22	20.62	18.70	6	6	24.	14
No. 9,	12	12	10.53	9.85	10	3	20.	7
High Sch., Fall,	12	41	38.06	35.80	78	14	50.	32

WINTER TERM

SCHOOLS.	No. of Weeks.	Whole Number of Pupils.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Cases of Tardiness.	No. not Tardy or Absent.	Wages of Teachers per month.	No. of Visitors.
Centre.....	12	19	18.16	17.91	24	9	\$26.	21
No. 1,	12	29	26.24	24.95	39	6	36.	7
No. 2,	12	22	19.55	19.48	2	13	28.	11
No. 3,	No	Sch	ool.					
No. 4,	12	14	13.76	13.25	0	7	26.	16
No. 5,	12	28	21.91	20.28	134	2	32.	9
No. 6,	12	16	13.71	11.81	14	3	26.	6
No. 7,	12	17	15.16	13.56	8	1	26.	7
No. 8,	11	24	21.05	19.32	8	3	26.	8
No. 9,	12	15	12.83	12.33	76	5	26.	9
High School,.	10	36	29.31	26.40	104	1	50.	14

NAMES OF TEACHERS, WAGES, &c.

SCHOOLS.	TERMS.	TEACHERS.	Amount of Wages.	Cost of Fuel and Janitors.	Amount paid for Repairs.
Centre,	Summer,	E. A. Briggs,	\$96.	\$39.07	\$4.09
	Fall,	Elmina A. Foster,	78.		
No. 1,	Summer,	Elmina A. Foster,	78.	15.97	—
	Winter,	John C. Stackpole,	108.		
No. 2,	Summer,	Ada M. Heald,	78.	19.60	46.28
	Winter,	Ada M. Heald,	84.		
No. 3,	Summer,	Alice E. Cowden,	30.	18.60	—
No. 4,	Summer,	Belle A. Demond,	60.	20.30	4.50
	Winter,	Ava S. Bigelow,	78.		
No. 5,	Summer,	Ava S. Bigelow,	72.	17.50	—
	Winter,	Ida M. Hayward,	96.		
No. 6,	Summer,	Nellie A. Boyce,	60.	15.50	—
	Winter,	Irene A. Lord,	78.		
No. 7,	Summer,	Irene A. Lord,	72.	20.09	27.21
	Winter,	Helen H. Welch,	78.		
No. 8,	Summer,	Mary A. Griffin,	64.	21.33	18.03
	Fall,	Alice M. Pratt,	48.		
	Winter,	Alice M. Pratt,	71.50		
No. 9,	Summer,	Sarah O. Moulton,	60.	20.13	—
	Winter,	Mary S. Lyman,	78.		
High School,	Fall,	Wm. A. Francis,	150.		—
	Winter,	Wm. A. Francis,	42.50		
	"	Joel N. Eno,	82.50		—

ROLL OF HONOR.



Below is a list of the names of those scholars who, by the constancy and punctuality of their attendance, deserve honorable mention. This list is compiled on the basis of excusing one day's non-attendance and one tardy mark. Hereafter we hope to give those whose record is *perfect* a separate record.

CENTRE HIGH SCHOOL.

Fall Term.

Jennie E. Gates,
Alice E. Cowden,
Emma F. Sargent,
Clara F. Seaverns,
Abbie L. Brooks,
Millie F. Stackpole,
Lizzie M. Calhoun,
Nellie I. Bruce,
Nellie E. Baker,
Henry B. Davis,
Fred. R. Bartlett,
Fred. F. Cowden,
Bertie D. Smith,
John H. Sargent.

Winter Term.

Jennie E. Gates.

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Mary E. Demond,
Nina E. Demond,
Willie M. Demond.

Fall Term.

Zena M. Sherwood,
Nina E. Demond,
Willie M. Demond,
Lizzie M. Putnam,
Carrie L. Pierce,
James G. Sherwood,
Mathew G. Sherwood,
Frank F. Dana.

No. 1 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Norma A. Wilder,
 Idella M. Bigelow,
 Cora M. Leadbetter,
 Lizzie M. Stackpole,
 Nellie M. Bigelow,
 Hattie A. Leadbetter.

Winter Term.

Norma A. Wilder,
 Livonie E. Allen,
 John F. Davis,
 Mortie M. Stackpole,
 George G. Pierce,
 Arthur W. Davis,

No. 2 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Jennie Hammond,
 Anna Hammond,
 Nellie Hammond,
 Katie Hammond,
 Hannah Hammond,
 Jennie Campbell,
 Mabel Heald,
 Eugene F. Breck,
 Frank H. Miles,
 Arthur A. Heald,
 Lewis F. Forbush.

Winter Term.

Jennie Hammond,
 Anna Hammond,
 Nellie Hammond,
 Katie Hammond,
 Hannah Hammond,
 Jennie Campbell,
 Mabel Heald,
 Eugene F. Breck,
 Frank H. Miles,
 Arthur A. Heald,
 Peter Crosby,
 James Mellen,
 George Campbell.

No. 4 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Lucy C. Dodge.

Winter Term.

Lucy C. Dodge,
 Mary A. Putnam,
 Hattie E. Baker,
 Michael H. Scott,
 Patrick Scott,
 John Scott,
 James Scott.

No. 5 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Effie M. Wesson,
 Mabel G. Farnsworth,
 Vara A. Stearns,
 Harry W. Prescott.

Winter Term.

Effie M. Wesson,
 Charles E. Connor.

No. 6 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Dora Dudley.

*Winter Term.*Mary L. Kennan,
Forest A. Kennan,
Herbert A. Kennan.

No. 7 SCHOOL.

*Summer Term.*Charles A. Pierce,
Emily I. Fisher.*Winter Term.*

Charles A. Pierce.

No. 8 SCHOOL.

*Summer Term.*Willie E. Brooks,
Raymond E. Dodge,
George H. Strong.*Fall Term.*Willie E. Brooks,
Raymond E. Dodge,
Eunice A. Strong,
Kate E. Delehanty,
Charles W. Hapgood,
Thomas O'Herron.*Winter Term.*Willie E. Brooks,
Sarah J. Delehanty,
Mattie Delehanty.

No. 9 SCHOOL.

*Summer Term.*Emma M. Woodis,
Helen A. Moulton,
Sammie F. Moulton.*Winter Term.*Emma M. Woodis,
Ella S. M. Woodis,
Etta M. Woodis,
Rosie Woodis,
Fred. E. Cowden.

Whole number of different names on the record, 82. Whole number whose record is perfect for the year, 18, a slight gain over last year.

In conclusion, we thank you for the aid and support you have rendered in the past year, in the difficult task of guiding our schools aright, and ask that an even more cordial support be given in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWTON T. HADLEY,
HELEN H. WELCH,
WALTER C. BOYCE,

School Committee.

WARRANT.

WORCESTER, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Rutland in the
County of Worcester, GREETING.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Rutland on Monday, the third day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

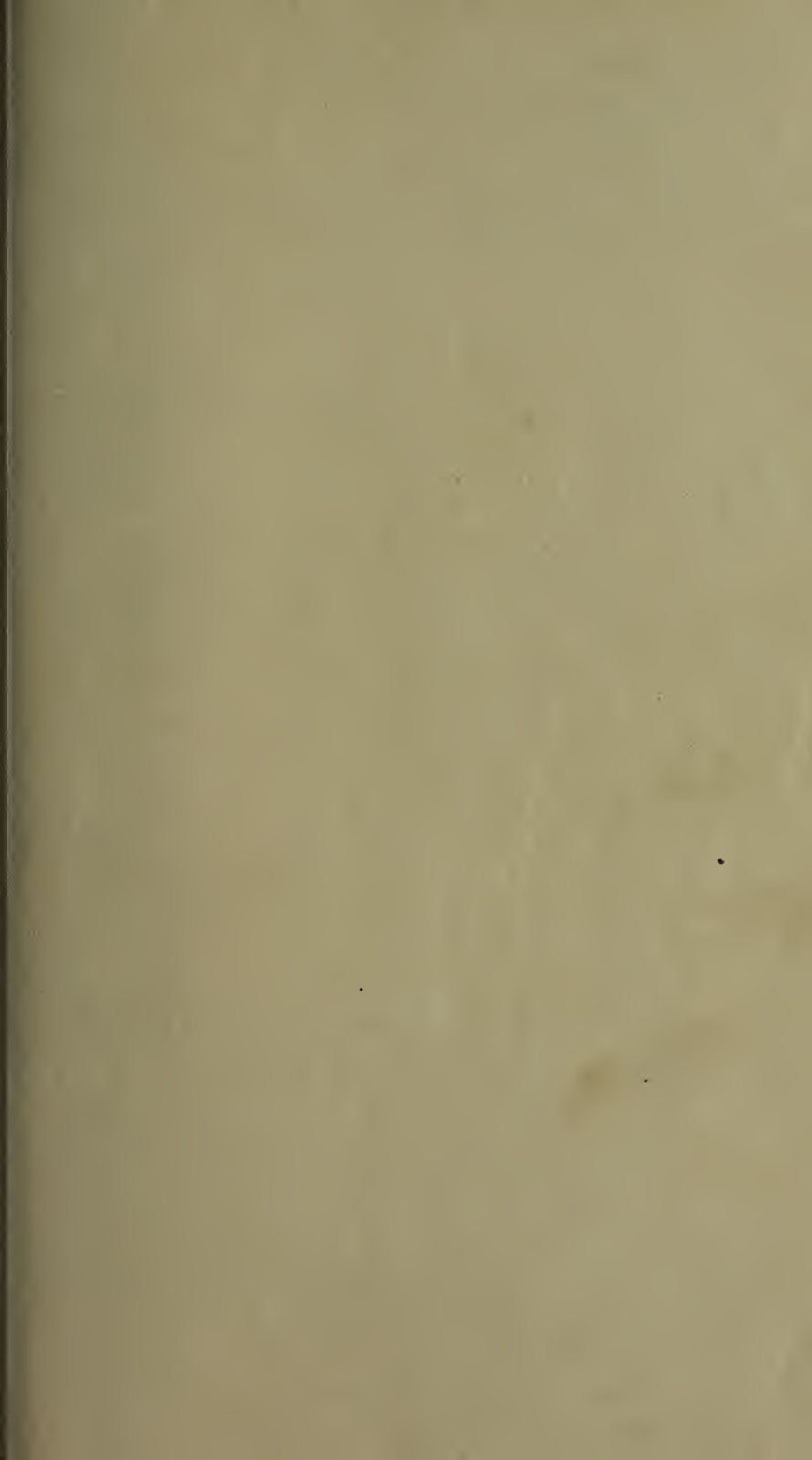
2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To hear the Reports of the Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon
4. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
5. To see what sums of money the Town will raise for the support of Public Schools : for the repairs on the Highways : for the support of the Poor : for the contingent charges and paying debts : and for suppression of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town the ensuing year : and appropriate the same.
6. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and making the same passable when encumbered with snow.
7. To see what interest shall be charged on taxes not paid within a specified time.
8. To see if the Treasurer shall be Collector of taxes ; also to determine the compensation of the Treasurer and Collector.
9. To see if the town will accept of the list of Jurors presented by the Selectmen.

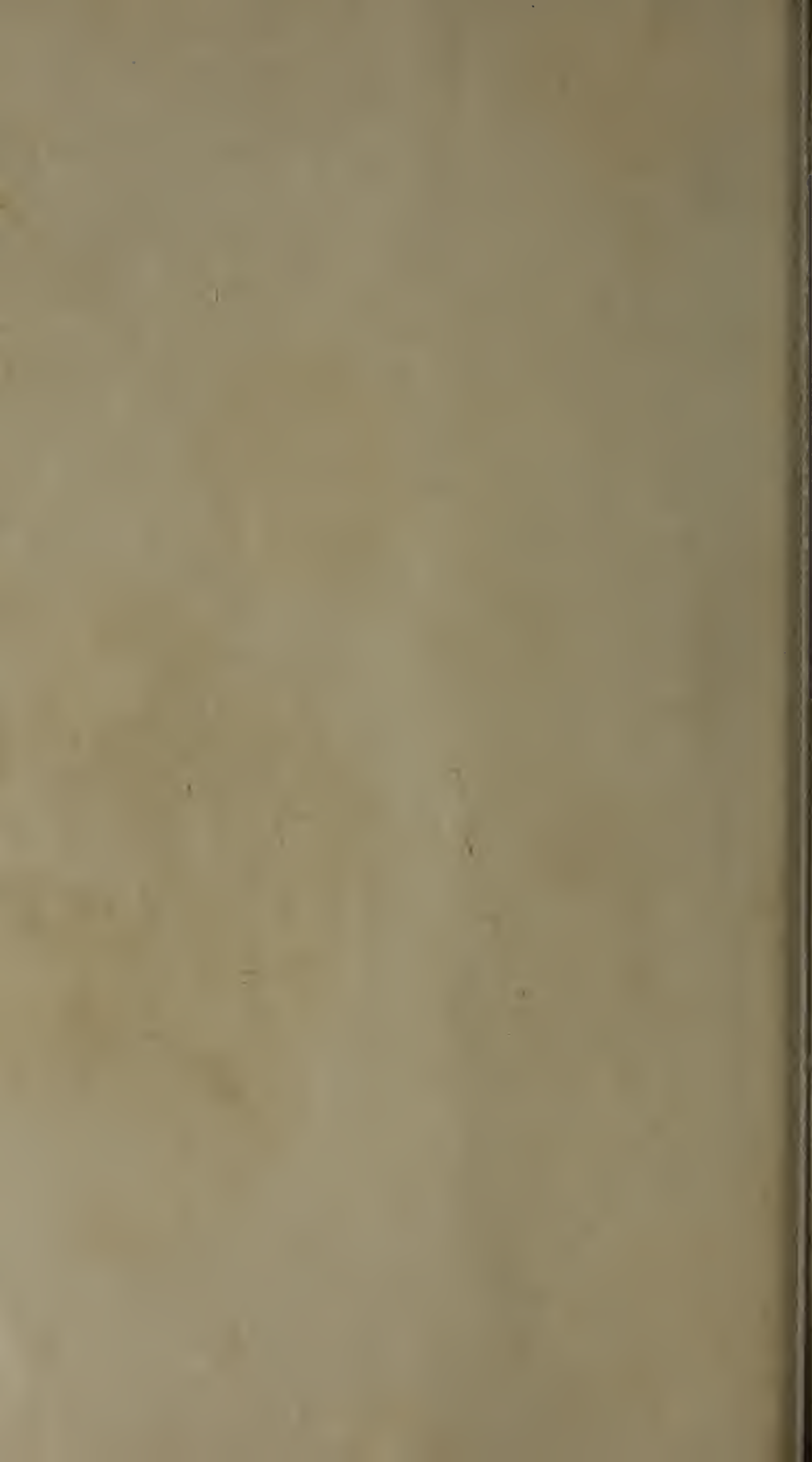
10. To see if the town will authorize their Overseers to contract with some one to take charge of their alms-house for one or more years.
11. To see what method the town will adopt for digging and filling graves, furnishing coffins, and attending funerals with the hearse.
12. To see if the town will pay some one to ring the bell for deaths and at specified hours of the day.
13. To see what method the town will adopt to have the town house taken care of the coming year.
14. To see if the town will authorize their treasurer to borrow money, if necessary, for the use of the town, under the direction of the selectmen.
15. To see if the town will vote to have a well dug on the common for the public use, or act anything thereon.
16. To see if the town will purchase any apparatus for extinguishing fires, or act anything thereon.
17. To see if the town will vote to change the time of their annual meeting from first Monday to third Monday in March, or a later date.
18. To see if the town will vote to build an "annex" to the town house, or act thereon.
19. To see if the town will vote to grant license for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the town.
20. To see whether the town will, by its vote or otherwise, ask the legislator to extend to women who are citizens, the right to hold office, and to vote in town affairs, on the same terms as male citizens.
21. To determine the manner of warning future meetings.
22. To see if the town will vote to enlarge the water course under the Miles' road, at the crossing of Mill Brook, or act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof agreeable to the vote of said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the town clerk at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 15th day of February, 1884.

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
F. G. BARTLETT,	
GEO. B. MUNROE,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>





ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF RUTLAND,

For the Year Ending February 14th, 1885.

W O R C E S T E R :

PRINTED BY EDWARD H. TRIPP,

377 MAIN STREET, OPPOSITE ELM.

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN,

M. R. MOULTON,

FRANCIS G. BARTLETT,

J. W. MONROE.

TOWN CLERK,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR,

FREEMAN R. FOSTER.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,

DAVID F. SMITH,

CYRUS P. BULLARD,

JAMES S. KENNAN.

ASSESSORS,

ALONZO DAVIS,

FRED S. HUNT,

WILLIAM H. BROOKS.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

LAWTON T. HADLEY,

WALTER C. BOYCE,

WALTER A. HUNTER.

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS,

MOSES B. ALLEN.

CONSTABLES,

FREEMAN R. FOSTER,

DAVID F. SMITH.

SEXTON,

GEORGE S. PUTNAM.

LIBRARIAN,

MRS. F. R. FOSTER.

A LIST OF JURORS PRESENTED BY THE SELECTMEN, FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

Walter H. Bartlett, Geo. W. Cowden, Daniel Demond, Elijah Goulding, Geo. W. Hudson, Lawton T. Hadley, Fred S. Hunt, Wm. W. Prescott, Dennis A. Smith, John N. Sargent, Walter B. Ware, Chester W. Dodge, John C. Davis, Wm. C. Temple, Elbridge Acker, Walter A. Hunter.

WARRANT.

WORCESTER, SS.

To Freeman R. Foster, Constable for the Town of Rutland
in the County of Worcester. GREETING.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Rutland, on Monday, the second day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles: To wit.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.
4. To choose all necessary Town Officers, for the ensuing year.
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15. To see if the Town vote to grant license for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the town.
16. To see if the Town will enlarge the school committee.
17. To see if the Town will instruct the school committee to appoint a superintendent of schools, or act, or do anything in relation to the same.
18. To see if the Town will vote to lease ground to parties who wish to build new horse sheds in the rear of the public buildings, or act thereon.
19. To see if the Town will abate or remit any taxes in the hands of their collector.
20. To determine the manner of warning future meetings.
21. To see if the Town will vote to make any change in the Town Hall Building so that the doors shall swing outward from the hall.
22. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof agreeable to the vote of said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this with your doings thereon to the town clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 14th day of February, in the year 1885.

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
F. G. BARTLETT,	
J. W. MUNROE,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

FEBRUARY 14TH, 1885.

Dr.

To interest on real and personal estate, appraised February 14th, 1884, at \$4,293 52,	\$257 61
To cash due warden, Feb. 15th, 1884	57 25
To salary of warden for the year ending Feb. 14th, 1885,	330 00
Money expended at the Town Farm during the year,	284 30
Decrease in appraisal of personal property,	68 37
Cash received of Town Treasury,	1,179 95
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	\$2,177 48

Cr.

By balance paid E. W. Hubbard,	\$421 84
Order of Clifton Parkhurst,	267 80
State Lunatic Asylum bill,	189 72
Town of Grafton,	46 75
Town of Westboro,	42 45
Myron Potter, for Farrington,	8 39
Worcester City Hospital, for Joseph Newcomb,	14 00
Dr J. G. Shannon,	82 00
Mrs. Dana, for Joseph Newcomb,	3 50
Truss for Joseph Newcomb,	5 00
To Salary of warden,	55 00
Overseers bill,	43 50
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	\$1,179 95
Due from warden,	70 20
Cash in hands of Warden,	28 04
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	\$1,278 19
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	899 29
Received of B. F. Browning for board of Davis Browning,	65 00
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Which leaves a balance of	834 29

As the expenses of supporting Paupers at the Almshouse the past year.

The whole number relieved and supported the past year was 37, of this number 26 were travelers. Expense of travelers \$6.50. Number fully supported 11. Average number 7 $\frac{3}{4}$. Cost per week of supporting paupers at almshouse \$2.07.

EXPENSE OF SUPPORTING PAUPERS OUT OF THE ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Lunatic Asylum, for W. O. Smith,	\$189 72	
Town of Grafton, for S. A. Stratton	46 75	
Town of Westboro, for E. Rice,	42 45	
Worcester City Hospital, for Joseph Newcomb,	14 00	
Mrs. Dana, for Joseph Newcomb,	3 50	
Truss for Joseph Newcomb,	5 00	
Myron Potter, for Farrington,	8 39	
Dr. J. G. Shannon, for Farrington,	2 00	
Mrs. E. Clark,	8 00	
Mrs. O. Smith,	4 50	
Joseph Millet,	6 00	
Mrs. E. Clark,	10 00	
Mrs. Farrington,	3 00	
Mrs. E. Clark,	28 00	
		\$371 31
Rec'd of J. G. Shannon, on acc't of Mrs. Clark,	10 00	
Mrs. O. Smith,	6 00	
		\$16 00
		\$355 31
Overseers bills,	43 50	
Expense of supporting paupers at Almshouse,	834 29	
Making a total of		\$1,233 10
Reimbursement from State,	\$45 15	
From town of Princeton, for Joseph Millet,	6 00	
		51 15
Making a total of		\$1,181 95
As expenses of supporting the Town and other Paupers the past year.		

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY.

AS APPRAISED BY THE OVERSEERS, FEBRUARY 14, 1885.

Real estate,	\$2,500 00
Farming tools and household furniture,	600 00

Horse,	\$ 75 00
Oxen,	135 00
11 cows,	374 00
2 yearlings,	28 00
3 calves,	30 00
2 hogs,	38 00
24 fowls,	17 00
4½ tons of English hay,	90 00
3½ tons of Meadow hay and Straw	28 00
Corn and fodder,	15 00
48 bushel of Oats,	24 00
23 bushel of Barley,	23 00
63 bushel of Corn,	47 25
131 bushel of Potatoes,	65 50
Garden vegetables,	15 00
Apples,	4 50
Cider and vinegar,	17 00
Salt pork and hams,	42 45
Lard,	6 00
Butter,	3 00
Beans,	6 00
Tallow and candles,	1 50
Soap,	1 50
Salt,	2 00
Flour and Meal,	12 00
Tea, Crackers, sugar and molasses,	3 25
Lumber,	3 00
Lead, glass and nails,	2 50
Barb wire,	4 70
Fresh Pork,	10 00
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	\$4,225 15

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES AT ALMSHOUSE.

Bought flour, and crackers,	\$292 98
Meat and fish,	54 24
Tea, sugar and molasses,	61 37
Spice, cream tartar and soda,	13 84
Cloth, yarn and thread,	15 46
Grinding grain,	8 06
Tobacco and pipes,	10 97
Oil stove, polish etc.	4 12
Tin earthen and glass ware,	6 63
Matches, soap and salt,	8 25
Boots and shoes,	4 75
Making cider,	65
Paper and brooms,	2 60
Blacksmithing,	13 65

Mowing machine,	\$ 65 00
Plow,	14 40
Farming tools and use of same,	21 12
Stock keeping and use of same,	143 10
Grass and other seeds,	14 85
Paris green, lime and phosphate,	39 30
Repairing buildings,	15 14
Labor,	129 05
Medicine,	9 57
Doctor bills at almshouse,	16 50
Pork barrels,	2 70
Ice,	7 00
2 Stoves and funnel,	19 50
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	\$994 80

SUMMARY OF INCOME AT ALMSHOUSE.

Sold 1,639 pounds of butter,	\$439 97
Eggs and poultry,	5 24
Grass and other seeds,	1 80
Hay and straw,	2 85
Board,	10 00
Labor,	5 00
Vegetables,	26 76
Stock and use of same,	273 32
Calves,	23 75
Matches, soap and salt,	2 61
Old iron,	90
Old mowing Machine,	5 00
Cash of overseers,	267 80
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	\$1,065 00
Amount of expense.	994 80
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Balance in favor of the Town,	\$70 20

Respectfully submitted,

D. F. SMITH,	} Overseers
C. P. BULLARD,	
J. S. KENNAN,	
	of
	Poor.

Rutland, February 14, 1885.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

F. R. FOSTER, Treasurer.

1884.	Dr.	
February 15,	Balance in the Treasury,	\$3,965 35
" 22,	Received of the Town of Princeton, School Money,	9 00
March 8,	Received of the Town of Holden, School Money,	20 00
June 10,	Received of Daniel Demond, auctioneers license,	2 00
" 27,	Received of Worcester Institution for Savings,	2,000 00
August 6,	Received of State Treasurer, for support of state paupers,	45 15
" 30,	Received of J. G. Shannon, on account Mrs. W. O. Smith,	4 50
Sept. 5,	Received of J. G. Shannon, on account Mrs Eliza Clark,	10 00
October 1,	Received of George W. Hudson, use of town hall	5 41
December 3,	Received of State Treasurer, corporation tax,	1 02
" 3,	Received of State Treasurer, National Bank tax,	66 81
" 3,	Received of State Treasurer, state aid,	185 60
1885.		
January 1,	Received of County Treasurer, dog fund,	118 30
" 26,	Received of State Treasurer, school fund,	312 29
" 26,	Received Amount of tax bills for 1884,	8,560 43
" 26,	Received interest on taxes,	27 59
February 14,	Received of Overseers of Poor on account D. D. Browning,	65 00
" 14,	Received of Overseers of Poor on account of Millet,	6 00
		<hr/> \$15,404 45

1884.	Cr.	
By notes and interest paid,	\$3,885 00	
By assessors abatement on taxes,	45 33	
By state tax paid,	560 00	
By county tax paid,	342 00	
By paying 181 orders drawn by selectmen,	6,821 36	
	<hr/>	\$11,653 69
Balance in treasury Feb. 14, including tax bills,		
Cash on hand,	\$1,221 92	
Tax bills,	2,528 84	
	<hr/>	\$3,750 76

Respectfully submitted,

F. R. FOSTER, Treasurer.

Rutland, February 14, 1885.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Rutland, your Selectmen respectfully present the following as their annual report of the financial condition of the Town, for the year ending February 15, 1885.

We have drawn on the Treasury during the past year 181 Town orders, amounting to \$6. 821 36.

The appropriations for the Town were as follows:

State Tax,	\$560 00	
County Tax,	342 00	
Town grant,	7 300 00	
Overlays,	358 43	
Total tax,		\$8,560 43

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Worcester Savings Institution, note and interest	\$15,275 00
State Mutual Life Assurance Co. note and interest,	5,100 00
	<u>\$20,375 00</u>

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

250 Shares Central Mass. R. R. Co.	
State aid due from state treasury,	\$216 77
Due from Central Mass. R. R. Co.	76 95
Cash in hands of treasurer,	3,750 76
Due from town hall janitor,	2 51
	<u>\$4,046 99</u>

Leaving a balance against the Town, \$16,328 01
 Showing a gain in the last 12 months in favor of the town of about \$800,00.

1884.

Apr. 7. Order No. 1, Paid John B. Wells, for removing snow from highways,	\$8 54
2, Paid Moses B. Allen, for removing snow,	46 85
3, Paid John W. Munroe for removing snow,	8 29
Apr. 15, Order No. 4, Paid W. C. Boyce, for repairs on school house No. 1, \$79.82 and 7 cords wood 23.00,	107 82
5, Paid E. J. Miles, for removing snow,	26 62
6, Paid J. N. Sargent, for removing snow,	36 13
7. Paid Moses B. Allen, highway surveyor,	250 00

May 3, Order No. 8, Paid City of Boston, for aid rendered Annabella S. Bigelow,	\$ 4 00
9, Paid Worcester Lunatic Hospital, for care of Wm. O. Smith,	53 45
10, Paid Richard Cody, for removing snow,	10 00
11, Paid Myron M. Smith, by order of school Com.	6 75
12, Paid Joseph Davis, for removing snow,	24 00
13, Paid aid to Alonson Farrington,	8 39
14, Paid Chas. W. Hapgood, care of school house,	2 67
15, Paid Alfred Hatstatt, for removing snow,	1 82
16, Paid Geo. S. Putnam, for services as sexton,	3 25
17, Paid E. W. Hubbard, salary for warden at town farm,	321 84
18, Paid Edwin J. Miles, for removing snow,	10 20
19, Paid Moses B. Allen, for labor on higway, Freight and repairs on road machine,	117 58
20, Paid G. G. Pierce, care of school house, No. 1.	4 00
21, Paid M. M. Smith, for freight on shingles for school house No. 1,	4 00
22, Paid E. H. Tripp, for printing town reports,	30 85
23, Paid Henry Moore, for removing snow,	6 00
24, Paid J. Edward Clark, for removing snow,	3 58
25, Paid Cyrus P. Bullard, breaking roads,	19 24
26, Paid Michael Gleason, breaking roads,	3 00
27, Paid Geo. P. Woodis, breaking roads,	3 08
28, Paid Elijah Goulding, breaking roads,	20 95
29, Paid Ivory Wales, breaking roads,	23 66
30, Paid Michael Leary, breaking roads,	11 83
31, Paid Wm. D. Hatch, breaking roads,	2 50
32, Paid Era C. Dudley, breaking roads,	31 00
33, Paid John D. Clair, breaking roads,	24 34
34, Paid S. D. & Merrill Chickering, breaking roads	3 75
35, Paid E. W. Hubbard, order of overseers,	100 00
36, Paid Geo. Tyler, for road machine,	210 00
37, Paid F. R. Foster, for insurance on Town Farm, buildings etc., and expense in changing R. R. stock,	28 45
38, Paid F. R. Foster, for Willard S. Woodis \$72.40 and for Roswell Bemis \$28 00,	100 40
39, Paid J. W. Munroe, for breaking roads,	5 58
40, Paid Moses B. Allen, breaking roads,	29 89
June 7, Order No. 41, Paid Geo. W. Leadbetter, breaking roads,	3 00
42, Paid John Dolan, for labor on poor farm,	17 75
43, Paid A. H. Chadbourn & Co. for 30 apple trees, delivered by Stephen W. Fay,	9 00
44, Paid Geo. H. Miles, breaking roads,	7 48
45, Paid F. R. Foster, state aid for Woodis \$30.00, and for Bemis \$11.14,	41 14

June 7, Order No. 46, Paid Geo. W. Cowden, for one ton of Bradley's Phosphate for town farm,	\$ 39 00
47, Paid Moses B. Allen, breaking roads,	26 15
48, Paid Moses B. Allen, highway surveyor,	309 22
July 5, Order No. 49, Paid Daniel Spooner, breaking roads, \$8.00, and putting up railing, etc. \$1.75,	9 75
50, Paid Daniel Spooner, breaking roads,	5 50
51, Paid Moses B. Allen, highway surveyor,	501 00
52, Alice M. Pratt, teaching school No. 8,	72 00
53, Paid Era C. Dudley, for carrying scholars,	30 00
54, Jennie I. Lovewell, teaching school No. 9,	72 00
55, Sarah O. Moulton, teaching school No. 7,	72 00
56, L. T. Hadley, for janitor in school No. 7, and repairing black board in No. 5,	3 40
57, Paid Mary L. Wells for teaching school and paying janitor in school No. 1,	74 00
58, Paid Belle A. Demond, teaching school No. 2,	72 00
59, Paid Alice E. Cowden, teaching school No. 5,	72 00
60, Paid Maria P. Hill, teaching centre school and numericl frame, crayons, etc.,	121 31
61, Paid Michael Loughman, breaking roads,	8 55
62, Paid F. R. Foster, state aid for Willard Wood- is, 25.00, R. Bemis, 10.00,	35 00
63, Paid Geo. W. Cowden and F. G. Bartlett, for labor on highway,	11 70
64, Paid Geo. S. Putnam, as sexton,	10 25
65, Paid Elijah Goulding, breaking roads,	9 50
Aug. 2, Order No. 66, Paid Geo. T. Browning, for cutting wood for school No. 7,	3 50
67, Paid Simeon D. Taylor for care of Center school house.	2 00
68, Paid Ella Woodis care of school House No. 9,	1 50
69, Paid Jennie Hammond care of school house No. 2,	2 00
70, Paid Wm. H. Earle, 1 plow for town farm,	14 40
71, Paid Worcester Hospital, for care of Wm. O. Smith,	42 25
72, Paid State Aid, W. Woodis, 25 00, R. Bemis, 10 00,	35 00
73, Paid F. R. Foster, care of Public Library for six months,	26 00
74, Paid Fred S. Hunt, for assessor,	33 25
75, Paid Moses B. Allen, highway surveyor,	83 25
76, Paid James G. Shannon, by order of assessors,	48 00
77, Paid John H. Griffin, use of horse two weeks, on Town Farm,	7 00
78, Paid State Aid, to Woodis, 25.00, and Roswell Bemis, 10 00,	35 00

Aug. 2, Order No. 79, Paid Walter C. Boyce, breaking roads,	\$ 14 25
80, Paid Walter C. Boyce, school books bought of Sandford & Co., Worcester,	168 01
Sept. 6, Order No. 81, Paid Moses B. Allen, highway surveyor,	176 00
82, Paid Geo. W. Cowden, for two posts for guide boards,	1 25
83, Paid Worcester City Hospital, for board and treatment of Joseph Newcomb,	14 00
Oct. 4, Order No. 84, Paid E. H. Tripp, for printing Assessor's reports,	25 00
85, Paid Henry B. Davis, for cuttidg five cords of wood for Center school,	5 00
86, Paid L. T. Hadley, for labor and material to repair desks in Center school,	90
87, Paid E. H. Tripp, for printing 2,000 book labels,	2 50
88, Paid State Aid to W. S. Woodis, 25 00, and Roswell Bemis, 10 00,	35 00
89, Paid Stillman J. Fletcher, labor on repairing guide boards,	4 25
90, Paid Moses B. Allen, highway surveyor,	67 70
91, Paid Geo. S. Putnam, as sexton, 12 00, and shoveling snow, 1 50,	13 50
92, Paid Worcester Hospital for care of Wm. O. Smith,	45 31
93, Paid S. Nellie Boyce, teaching in school No. 6	21 00
94, Paid Alfred Hatstatt, wood for school No. 1,	13 50
95, Paid Herman N. Bemis, for shoveling snow,	58
96, Paid Henry D. Rice, breaking roads,	10 50
Dec. 6, Order No. 97, Paid L. T. Hadley, books bought for schools,	3 57
98, Paid James M. Taylor, breaking roads,	13 50
99, Paid Lawton S. Brigham, breaking roads,	7 90
100, Paid Aden H. Miles, breaking roads,	1 67
101, Paid Walter C. Boyce, school committee, 32 00, and paid J. Hammond, 50, Mucilage, 20,	32 70
102, Paid Dennis O. Herron, breaking roads,	11 83
103, Paid Clifton Parkhurst, as part pay for salary,	55 00
104, Paid S. Nellie Boyce, for teaching school No. 6,	35 00
105, Paid Elbridge Acker, breaking roads,	1 37
106, Paid Benjamin Allen, breaking roads,	1 50
107, Paid Geo. R. N. Sargent, wood for school No. 5,	10 13
108, Paid Geo. W. Hudson, for labor and materials repairing school houses,	5 00
109, Paid Richard Cody, breaking roads,	18 73
110, Paid Peter O'Connor, breaking roads and labor on town bell,	4 50

Dec. 6, Order No. 111, Paid James Sherwood, breaking roads,	\$ 2 25
112, Paid Asa F. Brooks, 231 feet bridge plank,	4 15
113, Paid Orrin Peirce, breaking roads,	1 50
114, Paid Wm. H. Campbell, breaking roads,	1 83
115, Paid Abel Baker, ringing bell, six months,	25 00
116, Paid Joel Stone, breaking roads,	1 32
117, Paid Henry D. Rice, breaking roads,	14 66
118, Paid J. T. Lawless, labor on town farm,	75 00
119, Paid Bates & Glazier, keeping stock for overseers,	16 10
120, Paid Richardson Manufacturing Company for mowing machine for town farm,	65 00
121, Paid J. N. Darling, for teaching high school,	180 00
122, Paid James Hunter, for breaking roads,	17 00
123, Paid Alonzo Davis, assessor, eight days at 24 00, and stationery, Etc., 2 00,	26 00
124, Paid Henry W. Miller, for stove for Center school,	14 60
125, Paid Daniel R. Wheeler, breaking roads,	5 92
126, Paid Wm. H. Barr, breaking roads,	3 84
127, Paid G. A. Putnam, for services as registrar of voters and trip to Worcester, 10 40, and committee on water supply, 2 00,	12 40
128, Paid State Aid, two months to W. Woodis, 50 00, and R. Bemis, 20 00,	70 00
129, Paid Edwin J. Miles, breaking roads,	1 59
130, Paid Walter C. Boyce, for school books,	53 59

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Jan. 3, Order No. 131, Paid F. C. Bigelow for three cords of wood for schools,	15 00
132, Paid Sarah O. Moulton, for teaching school No. 2,	72 00
133, Paid Lewis F. Forbush, for janitor at No. 2 school,	3 00
134, Paid Wm. H. Brooks, assessor, fourteen days' work,	35 00
135, Paid H. N. Powers, pump for town well,	13 90
136, Paid Marcia P. Hill, teaching Center school and one broom,	120 25
137, Paid S. Nellie Boyce, teacher in No. 6 school,	16 80
138, Paid J. T. Lawless, for labor on town farm,	15 00
139, Paid Walter C. Boyce, repairs and cleaning school house,	5 75
140, Paid Thomas Hennery for digging and stoning well on the common and putting in culvert	168 00
141, Paid Sumner H. Taylor, janitor for Center school,	2 25

Jan. 3, Order No. 142,	Paid Walter C. Boyce, for books for schools,	\$ 60 82
153,	Paid M. R. Moulton, for services as registrar of votes, three days' work,	6 00
144,	Paid State Aid, Willard S. Woodis 25 00, and Roswell Bemis 10 00, and Albert Rogers 8 00,	43 00
145,	Paid Ellen E. Dana, flour for Joseph New- comb 3 50, and rope for flag pole 40,	3 90
Feb. 7, Order No. 146,	Paid Rufus B. Miles, breaking roads,	5 17
147,	Paid Willis C. Brooks, janitor for No 8 school,	4 00
148,	Paid Frank Baker, janitor for No. 3 school,	62
149,	Paid Geo. A. Putnam, library committee,	48 00
150,	Paid Walter A. Hunter, teaching in school No. 8,	90 00
151,	Paid Alice Cowden, teaching in school No. 5,	84 00
152,	Paid town of Westboro', for Mrs Rice by overseers,	42 45
153,	Paid Worcester Hospital for care of Wm. O. Smith,	44 71
154,	Paid state aid to W. S. Woodis, \$25.00, and Roswell Bemis 10.00, Albert Rogers 4.00,	39 00
155,	Paid Moses B. Allen, breaking roads,	12 51
156,	Paid Ellen E. Dana, for school supplies by order school committee.	18 63
157,	Paid Lawton T. Hadley, for books for schools;	109 75
Feb. 12, Order No. 158,	Paid for a truss, for Joseph Newcomb,	5 00
159,	Paid L. T. Hadley, janitor for No. 5 school,	3 50
160,	Paid David F. Smith, for merchandise for town farm,	9 65
161,	Paid Alice M. Pratt, for teaching in school No. 1, \$84.00, and building fires etc. 3.00,	87 00
162,	Paid Lawton T. Hadley, school committee,	27 00
163,	Paid town of Grafton, for aid to Stratton family,	46 75
Feb. 13, Order No. 164,	Paid Abel Baker, for ringing bell to March 1st, 1885.	25 00
165,	Paid Mrs. F. R. Foster, librarian 6 mo. pay,	26 00
166,	Paid James S. Shannon, for professional services by order of overseers of poor,	34 00
167,	Paid M. Myron Smith, for Lewis M. Smith, for teaching school No. 3,	26 00
Feb. 14, Order No. 168,	Paid Geo. S. Putnam, for sexton,	11 75
169,	Paid Walter C. Boyce, school committee,	15 00
170,	Paid M. R. Moulton, for closet for town house,	6 77
171,	Paid J. S. Kennon, overseer and schools,	42 00
172,	Paid C. P. Bullard, overseer,	15 50
173,	Paid David F. Smith, overseer.	18 00

Feb. 14, Order No. 174, Paid F. R. Foster, treasurer and collector,	
\$75.00, and for constable 12.00,	\$ 87 00
175, Paid J. W. Munroe, breaking roads.	4 67
176, Paid M. R. Moulton, selectman,	25 00
177, Paid F. G. Bartlett, selectman, \$21.00, and for registrar, 6.00,	27 00
178, Paid John W. Munroe, selectman, \$21.00, and for registrar, 6.00,	27 00
179, Paid Moses B. Allen, to balance account,	10 00
180, Paid Walter Hunter, school committee,	35 00
181, Paid Geo. S. Putnam, town clerk \$27.90, and giving oaths to selectmen, writing for overseers and assessors, and timber for town house 5.50,	33 40

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	\$25 00
Francis G. Bartlett,	21 00
John W. Munroe,	21 00

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Geo. A. Putnam,	27 90
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ASSESSORS.

Paid Alonzo Davis,	26 00
Fred. S. Hunt,	36 25
William H. Brooks,	35 00

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid David F. Smith,	18 00
Cyrus P. Bullard,	15 50
James S. Kennon,	10 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Lawton T. Hadley,	27 00
Walter C. Boyce,	47 00
Walter A. Hunter,	35 00

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid Freeman R. Foster,	75 00
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CONSTABLE.

Paid F. R. Foster,	12 00
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SEXTON.

Paid Geo. S. Putnam,	37 25
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LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. F. R. Foster,	52 00
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BOARD OF REGISTRARS.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	6 00
F. G. Bartlett,	6 00
J. W. Munroe,	6 00
Geo. A. Putnam,	6 00

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid John B. Wells,	\$8 54	Paid Daniel Spooner,	5 50
M. B. Allen,	46 85	M. Loughman,	8 54
John W. Munroe,	8 29	Elijah Goulding,	9 50
Edwin J. Miles,	26 62	Walter C. Boyce,	14 25
John N. Sargent,	36 13	G. S. Putnam,	1 50
Richard Cody,	10 00	Herman N. Bemis,	58
Joseph Davis,	24 00	Henry D. Rice,	10 50
Alfred Hatstat,	1 82	James M. Taylor,	13 50
Edwin J. Miles,	10 20	Lawson S. Brigham,	7 00
Henry Moore,	6 00	Adin H. Miles,	1 67
J. Edmund Clark,	3 58	Dennis O'Herron,	11 83
Cyrus P. Bullard,	19 24	Elbridge Acker,	1 37
Michael Gleason,	3 00	Benjamin Allen,	1 50
George P. Woodis,	3 08	Richard Cody,	18 73
Elijah Goulding,	20 95	Peter O'Conner,	2 50
Ivory Wales,	23 66	James Sherwood,	2 25
Michael Leary,	11 83	Orrin Pierce,	1 50
William D. Hatch,	2 50	Wm. H. Campbell,	1 83
Era C. Dudley,	31 00	Joel Stone,	1 32
John D. Clair,	24 34	Henry D. Rice,	14 66
S. D. & M. Chickering,	3 75	James Hunter,	17 00
J. W. Munroe,	5 58	D. R. Wheeler,	5 92
M. B. Allen,	29 89	Wm. H. Barr,	3 84
George W. Leadbetter,	3 00	E. J. Miles,	1 50
George H. Miles,	7 48	R. B. Miles,	5 17
M. B. Allen,	26 15	M. B. Allen,	12 51
Daniel Spooner,	8 00	J. W. Munroe,	4 67

 \$586 12

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

Paid M. B. Allen,	\$250 00
M. B. Allen,	99 33
M. B. Allen,	309 22
M. B. Allen,	501 10
George W. Cowden,	6 69
F. G. Bartlett,	5 01
M. B. Allen,	83 25
M. B. Allen,	176 00
M. B. Allen,	67 70 — 1498 20

STATE AID.

Paid Willard S. Woodis,	\$302 40
Roswell Bemis,	119 14
Albert Rogers,	12 00 — 433 54

One half of the above is reimbursed by the State.

CONTINGENT.

Paid M. B. Allen, repairs and freight on two scrapers,	\$18 25
E. H. Tripp, Town Reports and tax blanks,	27 75
George Tyler, road machine,	210 00
F. R. Foster, for insurance on town farm buildings and stock, &c , and expense of changing R. R. stock,	28 45
Daniel Spooner, for poles, putting up the same, and drawing plank,	1 75
Geo. W. Cowden, two guide posts,	1 25
E. H. Tripp, for 300 Valuation reports,	25 00
S. J. Fletcher, repairing and painting guide boards,	4 25
Peter O'Conner, labor on bell,	2 00
Asa F. Brooks, 231 feet bridge plank, at \$18 per M.	4 15
Abel Baker, ringing bell six months,	25 00
Geo. A. Putnam, trip to Worcester for ballot box, services on water committee, fixing ballot box, and stationery, &c.	6 40
H. N. Powers, pump for town well,	13 90
Thomas Hennessey, digging and stoning well, and building culvert,	168 00
E. E. Dana, rope,	40
Abel Baker, ringing bell six months,	25 00
M. R. Moulton, making closet,	6 77
E. C. Allen, for M. B. Allen, sundries for highway department,	10 00
G. A. Putnam, timber, &c.,	5 50
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PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid Geo. Putnam, for books for library,	\$48 00
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RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Clerk,	\$27 90
Selectmen,	67 00
Assessors,	97 25
Overseers of Poor,	43 50
School Committee,	109 00
Collector and Treasurer,	75 00
Constable,	12 00
Sexton,	37 25
Librarian,	52 00
Board of Registrars,	24 00
Breaking Roads,	586 12
Repairing Roads,	1,498 20
State Aid,	433 54
School and School Contingent,	1,990 23
Overseers Orders,	1,136 55
Contingent expenses,	578 32
Public Library,	48 00
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	\$6,821 36

GUIDE POSTS.

In obedience to the laws of the Commonwealth, we report in regard to Guide Posts, that they are erected in the following places : One at the junction of the road leading from Barre to Paxton, at West Rutland ; one near Era C. Dudley's ; one near Miles Holden's ; one near Centre Post Office ; one near the new Hotel ; one near D. W. Fletcher's ; one near Walter H. Bartlett's ; one near Benj. Allen's ; one near Alfred Hatstatt's ; one near No. 1 School house ; one near John C. Greenleaf's ; one near D. R. Wheeler's ; one near the Moses B. Smith place ; one near the New Boston mill ; one near Erastus Dean's ; one near Charles E. Ried's ; one near Daniel Nihin's ; and one near Charles R. Bartlett's.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
F. G. BARTLETT,	
J. W. MUNROE,	

of
Rutland.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

TO THE SELECTMEN OF RUTLAND :

The voters of the Town, at their last March meeting, voted quite unanimously, to take a "new departure" in the management of their Highways, viz, to dispense with the old system, of districting the Town into some thirty divisions, and put the whole matter into the hands of one man. Their choice, as expressed at the polls, fell upon me. For this confidence in my ability thus expressed, and honor shown me, I desire to tender here and now my thanks.

In the management, I have had but one motive, to discharge the duties without fear, or favor, and impartially. How far, or well I have succeeded, you must decide. I will only say for myself, and the new system, that (as we are judged by our fruits) the condition of the Roads last Spring, and their present condition, is a fair criterion to decide by. I intended at the commencement, to make no new apportionment, but to expend on the old "limits," that have been made in years heretofore, as near as I could, an equal division of the appropriation; but I soon found that some "limits," where much use was made of them, absolutely demanded a much larger outlay. You will find, in a detailed statement below, where additional outlays were made, and where taken correspondingly from others. From this, I am led to make the following suggestion: that whenever you decide fully to adopt the new system, that the office of Road Commissioner should be continuous, for two or three years. This would enable him to take up the work where left off from year to year, thereby dealing a more even justice to all parts of the town.

I have in my mind one or two other suggestions to make, hoping that the mention of the subjects will lead the people to take some action in regard to them, in the near future. One is, that it would seem to be very desirable for the Town Officials to know just what rights the town has in the "limits" assigned to the highways. It would seem, that in a not very remote period of time, many have had the idea, that the town had no rights in those limits which individuals were bound to respect, and so have made the limits a receptacle for almost every thing that was not wanted on their own premises; stones from the adjacent fields have been dumped by the hundred cart loads, and in many cases put where it would be very desirable to have a ditch to drain the road bed; wood and lumber have often been laid so that dams would be made that would turn the water into the road, greatly to its injury. So serious has this become in some localities, that if continued in, you will soon have to decide (in order to repair the road) the question, which will be the cheapest way,—to remove the incumbrances or the highway

I find in making a tour of the Town, some pieces of road that hardly any thing has been done for a long time, and seem to have hardly any use. From the neglect you suffer them to remain in, liability to accidents increase, and it seems to me that it would be well for the town to examine quite closely, and see if there were any portions of road that might be dispensed with without any very great inconvenience to private individuals, or serious hindrance to the public.

In regard to the amount of your appropriation, I beg leave to say a word. Do not make it smaller, but larger—if you can afford. It has been said by a member of one of the largest commission houses in the State, devoted to the buying and selling of real estate, that one of the first questions asked by people desirous of buying real estate in the country towns, was, What is the condition of the Roads leading to its villages and markets?

If then, the value of your property depends thus, then, I am sure you will agree with me in saying, Bring up as soon as possible to a high degree of excellence our roads leading to our own villages, our own churches, our own stores and markets, so that their condition will make it a delight rather than a burden to ride over them to those same stores and markets, and do our buying and selling in town, especially if we can do better than we can by riding twenty miles to a city, (and I doubt not but what you can,) to attend our

BY WHOM EXPENDED.

Paid S. Allen and team,	\$176 00	Paid Orrin Peirce,	\$29 25
E. Allen and team,	358 00	Rufus Sawyer,	21 50
E. J. Miles,	128 00	C. Jordan and team,	39 00
Hatstat and team,	4 00	Elbridge Lane,	1 50
E. Goulding and team,	12 00	C. Lane,	1 50
T. Valley,	15 00	D. Murphy,	2 25
J. Savall,	80 75	Cowden & Bartlett,	11 62
J. Welsh,	83 00	E. Valley,	13 50
Frank Forbush,	22 25	J. Davis,	2 25
J. Wells,	1 50	M. B. Allen, & sundry	
John Metcalf,	4 50	bills of labor,	329 93
T. S. Heald,	135 00	Sundries, including	
Charles Allen,	18 50	repairs, freight etc.	40 95
Total amount expended,			\$1,514 75
Total amount Received from Treasurer,			1,514 75
Deducted for freight, etc.			16 55
Amount Expended on Highway,			\$1,498 20

I have allowed for men's labor 15c. per hour, or \$1.50 per day. This price is not quite as much as the town has allowed heretofore, but yet has proved satisfactory to the men employed, and on the whole was as remunerative as though they had been employed in other business. The Town officers have been prompt in paying for the labor each month, as per agreement at the start. For teams I have allowed for man and pair of horses, four dollars per day. This price made at the first of the work, I regard as favorable to the Town. For the rapid accomplishment of the work, some two or three teams should be hired each year for the season.

For keeping open the roads in winter, I have divided the town into districts, and appointed the following men to act as agents.

E. Chamberlin,	L. S. Brigham,
F. S. Hunt,	Dennis O. Herron,
Parker Forbush,	Edward Wheeler,
Adin Miles,	J. M. Taylor,
Alfred Hatstat,	R. B. Miles,
George Bigelow,	George B. Munroe,
C. W. Dodge,	Myron Smith,
D. R. Wheeler,	H. A. Kennon,

J. B. Wells,
I. Wales,
E. Goulding,
C. W. Boyce,

C. W. Upham,
S. Prouty,
H. D. Rice,
John N. Sargent.

The following snow bills have been paid for breaking roads in months of March and April, 1884.

E. J. Miles,	\$10 20	Stephen Allen,	\$ 4 16
E. Acker,	11 75	M. B. Allen,	15 41
E. Goulding,	9 50	J. B. Wells,	2 21
C. P. Bullard,	11 67	Benj. Allen,	1 49
J. P. Forbush,	8 59	Jos. Davis,	7 08
H. A. Kennon, }	12 32	T. F. Campbell,	2 50
J. S. Kennon. }		A. A. Reed,	1 75
F. S. Hunt,	1 91	W. D. Hatch,	1 33
F. G. Bartlett,	1 00	Michael Leary,	4 00
S. Prouty,	4 90	J. D. Clair,	6 00
Richard Cody,	8 09	M. Gleason,	1 91
J. M. Foster,	12 16	Leadbetter & Locke,	1 42

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES B. ALLEN, *Road Commissioner.*

GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

This report has been made from suggestions and dictations from Mr. Allen, during his fatal illness. It would be more complete in detail but for the sad ending. Enough is given to show you and the citizens that he was very faithful to the trust committed to him. For this fidelity and other qualities, we know him to be possessed of, I think we may all unite in saying, as was said, in days long ago, "O Lord, for a long time keep his memory green."

Yours truly,

T. S. H.

REPORT OF THE Committee of the Free Public Library,

OF RUTLAND.

For the Year Ending, February 15, 1885.

GENTLEMEN:

By your generosity last march, your committee has been able to add to the Library during the past year by purchase, forty-four books, and there has been added by gift, four books, namely: The Annual Report of the Comptroller of the Currency, by Hon. H. W. Cannon; The Leicester Academy Centenary, 1884, by the Trustees; The Manual for the General Court 1884, by the Secretary of State; and The Tragedy of Hamlet, from Harper Brothers; making the whole number of books now in the Library 1307. The number of books taken out the past year is 1640.

LIBRARY ACCOUNT FOR THE PAST YEAR.

Resources.

The Town voted to add seventy dollars to the balance due the Library from former appropriations, making	\$100 00
Balance of fines last spring,	3 10
Fines collected for the past year,	3 30
Making,	\$106 40
There is now due the Library for uncollected fines,	\$4 36

EXPENSES OF THE LIBRARY.

Paid Librarian,	\$52 00
Paid for making shelves,	3 00
44 new books,	40 58
express and postage,	1 25
binding 38 old books,	9 80
	\$106 63
Balance due,	23

Three books were bought to replace worn out ones, and the following is a list of the new books:—The Cousins, The Heart of the White Mountains, Creasy's Fifteen Decisive Battles, Froissarts Chronicles, Urda, Hypatia, Jane Eyre, John Inglesant, European Breezes, Catachism of Common Things, Bird Bolts, A Modern Instance, Paul

Dreyfus, Tunis The Land and The People, Saxe's Poems, Drake's Indians of North America, Odd or Even, Mother Goose for Grown Folks, Lorna Doone, Dr. Sevier, Pansies, Grandissime, Cape Cod Folks, Some Other Folks, Uncle Tom's Cabin, Mary Anerley, Figs and Thistles, The Making of a Man, Valentine Box, Sylvester Sound, Pillar of Five, Young Girl's Wooing, Guenn a Wave on The Breton Coast, Drifting Round The World, Boston Town, 98 and 48, Puddleford Papers, Brought to the Front, Towhead, The Mysterious Island, Daniel Deronda.

Your committee wish to say a few words in regard to a few things about the Library. First, in regard to fines, we find that a few are offended if they are charged for overtime, and some will deny themselves the privilege of reading the books in the Library rather than pay. We think that if they would reason with themselves a little, they would do different. All must see that if there was not such a regulation, it would not be a long time before a good many books would be out all the time, unless the Librarian was at the expense and trouble of getting them back, and beside our time allowed is about twice the time of most Libraries, and any one can get a book renewed by seeing the Librarian about it, and also all fines go to help the Library.

Second, in regard to using the books roughly, some of the books appear as if they were held by the bottom of the book, placing the thumb inside and fingers outside, thus tearing and wearing the book badly. The book should be placed on a table or something, or held flat on the hand, so as not to strain the leaves from the binding, we also find many of the books get very dirty.

Lastly, we wish that all books would be returned by each one as soon as read, to the Library, we have no doubt that many times the practice of taking books and lending them to neighbors is the cause of fines, we have no objection of course to any one taking books from the Library and letting their neighbors read them, if they will look after them, and also let the Librarian know who has had them. Probably the Library does not get the credit of any where near all the times that the books are read, and besides it is difficult to find out who has misused them.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE S. DODGE,	} <i>Library</i>
GEORGE A. PUTNAM,	
JAS. G. SHANNON.	

Committee.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths were recorded for 1884.

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE OF BIRTH.
Mary Augusta,	Stephen J. and Cora L. Locke,	Sept. 27, 1883.
William Edward,	George C. and Emily A. Taft,	Feb. 28, 1884.
Ellen Mildred,	Daniel W. and Mary Ellen Leary,	March 12, "
Agnes Lizzette,	Joseph and Rosalia L. Millett,	" 27, "
Alice Hattie,	Elmer B. and Sarah A. Wood,	April 6, "
Grace Lawrence,	Lyman E. and Emma F. Wilson,	" 7, "
Howard Scott,	H. Jones and Carrie N. Davis,	June 2, "
Alice,	Henry W. and Eliza J. Bartlett,	July 1, "
Charles Andrew,	Andrew S. and Lora L. Charter,	" 4, "
Emma Addie,	George W. and Addie L. Handy,	" 5, "
Lottie Lorena,	George T. and Annie E. Baker,	" 8, "
Frederick Scoville,	Fred. S. and Abbie R. G. Hunt,	Aug. 20, "
Edward Ainsworth,	Edward and Flora Ann A. Clark,	Sept. 16, "
Stephen Irving,	Zebulon Jr. and Chloe D. Strong,	" 28, "
Flora,	Joseph and Zoe Shaw,	" 28, "
William,	James and Ellen Scott,	Oct. 2, "
Mary Frances,	Peter S. and Mary Ellen O'Connor,	Nov. 6, "
Enola Elvira,	Era C. and Elenor S. Dudley,	" 21, "

MARRIAGES.

April 22, 1884,	George Morrow and Annie McCutcheon, both of Holden.
" 22, "	Robert J. Shirley of Grafton and Nellie D. McCutcheon of Holden.
" 23, "	George A. Fay and S. Maude Demond, both of Rutland.
May 13, "	John R. Metcalf and Mary L. Carpenter, both of Rutland.
June 4, "	Clarence L. Smith of Burlington, Vt., and Elmina A. Foster of Rutland.
July 9, "	Henry L. Babbitt and Hattie A. Morse, both of Oakham.
Oct. 22, "	Charles A. Hatstat and Minnie E. Allen, both of Rutland.
Nov. 13, "	William C. Temple and Belle A. Demond, both of Rutland.
Dec. 30, "	Frank L. Cheever and Charlotte L. Pierce, both of Rutland.

DEATHS.

DATE OF DEATH.	NAMES.	AGES.
March 27, 1884,	Mrs. Joanna Leary,	Aged 94 years.
June 11, "	Mrs. Ellen Sheridan,	" 54 " 7 months.
" 24, "	James Gerry Reed,	" 71 " 4 " 11 days.
July 1, "	— Strong,	" " " "
" 14, "	Mrs. Betsey Reed,	" 91 " 7 " "
Aug. 11, "	Alice Bartlett,	" " 1 " 14 "
" 30, "	Mary Emily Bliss,	" 1 " 6 " 21 "
Sept. 1, "	Mrs. Susan E. Glazier,	" 50 " 2 " 16 "
" 15, "	John M. Calhoun,	" 21 " 8 " 15 "
Oct. 22, "	Mrs. Hannah D. Miles,	" 82 " 9 " 16 "
Nov. 20, "	Jonathan A. Clark,	" 83 " 3 " 7 "
Dec. 9, "	Ada F. Barr,	" 15 " " 6 "
" 11, "	Lewis M. Smith,	" 18 " 5 " 19 "
" 26, "	Elizabeth M. Clair,	" 21 " 7 " 7 "

The following-named persons, mostly former residents of Rutland, were brought into town, and buried.

Feb. 14, 1884.	Martha I. Townsend,	Aged 22 years,	11 days.
April 19, "	Wilbur E. Wesson,	" 19 " 2 months,	4 "
May 1, "	Charles A. Phelps,	" 33 " 2 " "	8 "
" 22, "	Mrs. Roxana S. Nixon,	" 67 " 2 " "	" "
June 1, "	William E. Bryant,	" 82 " " "	29 "
Aug. 14, "	Nathaniel Taylor,	" 80 " 8 " "	2 "
" 28, "	Mrs. Betsey C. Armington,	" 70 " 9 " "	" "
Sept. 10, "	Charles E. Parker,	" 19 " 7 " "	10 "
" 21, "	Charles R. Parker,	" 5 " 10 " "	15 "

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, TOWN CLERK.

Report of the School Committee.

FELLOW CITIZENS:

Again we are called by the requirements of law to give a detailed report of the years work in our public schools.

Number of pupils enrolled in the School Registers,....	235
Number between five and fifteen,.....	203
Number between eight and fourteen,.....	134
Number over fifteen,	28
Number under five,	4
Number of non-residents,	6

As reported by the assessors, May 1st, 1884, number of minors in town between the years of five and fifteen 196, between eight and fourteen 127.

We do not deem it necessary to speak of the schools or teachers separately, but in the short space we shall devote to them, to treat them as a whole. While our schools have been conducted with varying degrees of success yet as a whole, commendable progress has been made.

One of the most pleasant things connected with our school work is to watch the mental and physical growth of the children intrusted to our care; and it is our constant aim to secure such teachers as will guide this growth in the right direction.

The Winter term of some of our schools was interrupted by the presence of contagious diseases. Sickness and the fear of contagion rendered the attendance in some schools very irregular. The death of the teacher caused the closing of one school, and though the term was short, yet we believe that the teachers influence for good will long be felt in the town.

We wish *again* to call the attention of our teachers to the importance of their calling, and urge the necessity of a more careful training to enable them to successfully perform their numerous, and

in many cases, delicate duties. To direct the mental, moral and physical growth of twenty children is a responsibility which requires, on the part of the teacher a talent of no mean order. There must be a mutual sympathy and respect between teacher and pupil; and failing this, the school falls short of the highest success. The impression the teacher makes on the mind of the pupil will be retained long after the school term in which they were associated. A hasty or idle word may make a life-long remembrance. Guard well then your sacred calling and try by your earnestness to lead those under *your* care, to higher conceptions of life and its duties than they have before known.

A public library which fails to elevate the literary taste of the community in which it is established, is a public evil, rather than blessing, and a hindrance to progress. We do not accuse *our* library of this, yet we feel, when we consider that the habit of reading, (as well as other habits,) which we form in our youth, usually cling to us through life, that the library has never had its proper influence in the schools of the town.

Teachers could do much in interesting their pupils in a course of reading which would be helpful to them in many ways, now and in the future.

Library Committees could do much in making such selections of books as would lead the young people of the town, teachers and scholars alike, to form a taste for reading and study, which would indeed prove a blessing to them,

We *again* earnestly call the attention of parents to the influence they can exert on our schools. Punctual attendance is one of the requisites of a successful school; and it is largely in your power to cause your children to be thus punctual. A careful interest in your childrens studies, and in what they read would do much to encourage them to greater exertions in their school work, and to strive harder to merit the approbation of all interested in their welfare. You can do much to uphold the teachers in the difficult duties of their calling by giving them the sympathy and praise they merit. You cannot expect your children to respect a teacher of whom they hear you speak disparagingly or in ridicule. Education is the greatest gift you can bestow on your children. A good education is of priceless value to any one. There is no self-denial or hardship you would not undergo to properly feed and clothe your children: how much more important that the immortal mind should be carefully

trained and nourished, in order that they may be enabled to develop to the highest degree the talent which God has given to every one.

Money used in the support of schools will yield an interest of future prosperity to the town which stocks or bonds can never give. We call upon you then to uphold the schools established by the Fathers, and as you prize the future welfare of the town, to keep them in the column of progress and improvement, which is ever advancing; so that when our children are called to take up the burdens of life, they can look out upon the field of duty from the vantage ground of a liberal education.

In obedience to the state law we have provided free text-books in our schools. The expense has been considerable, but in the future it will be much less as we have now a good stock of books on hand.

Your committee feeling the necessity that our schools should be provided with modern books, have, at a very slight additional expense introduced new readers in our schools. They have proved very satisfactory. The greater part of the expense for repairs has been to shingle No. 1 school house and to paint and paper inside of the same.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation,.....	\$1500 00
State Fund,	312 30
Dog Fund,.....	122 60
Tuition due from Non-residents,...	22 66

\$1857 56

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' Salaries for current year,	\$1280 80
Teachers' Salaries unpaid,.....	180 00
Fuel and Janitors,	105 25
Transportation of Scholars,.....	66 75
Incidentals,	23 39

\$1656 19

CONTINGENT.

Books,.....	\$395 65
Repairs,	94 62
Stove,	14 00
Arrears,	6 67

\$510 94

SCHOOL STATISTICS FOR 1884-5.

SUMMER TERM.

SCHOOLS.	No. of Weeks.	Whole Number of Pupils.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Cases of Tardiness.	No. not Tardy or Absent.	Wages of Teachers per Month.	No. of Visitors.
Centre,	12	37	35.66	34.3	7	13	\$40.	16
No. 1,	12	24	19.34	17.43	24	3	24.	12
No. 2,	12	16	15.8	15.36	25	8	24.	9
No. 5,	12	28	23.83	23.5	101	7	24.	22
No. 7,	12	31	25.17	21.80	35	1	24.	25
No. 8,	12	19	15.06	12.6	5	1	24.	3
No. 9,	12	13	13.	12.60	11	4	24.	26
High School, Fall,	12	30	23.42	21.08	42	2	60.	12

WINTER TERM.

SCHOOLS.	No. of Weeks.	Whole Number of Pupils.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Cases of Tardiness.	No. not Tardy or Absent.	Wages of Teachers per Month.	No. of Visitors.
Centre,	12	41	38.67	37.30	10	17	\$40.	20
No. 1,	12	26	19.57	17.85	23	3	28.	7
No. 2,	12	22	17.97	16.82	38	2	24.	17
No. 3,	4	4	4.	3. 7	0	2	28.	1
No. 5,	12	30	23.11	20.97	148	3	28.	16
No. 6,	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	34	30.37	24.83	14	2	28.	9
No. 8,	12	28	21.92	19.21	0	3	30.	6
High School, Winter,	12	43	Unfinished.				60.	

NAMES OF TEACHERS, WAGES, &c.

SCHOOLS.	TERMS.	TEACHERS.	Amount of Wages.	Cost of Fuel and Janitors.	Amount paid for Repairs.
Centre,	Summer,	Marcia P. Hill,	\$120.	\$17.25	\$5.50
	Winter,	Marcia P. Hill,	120.		
No 1,	Summer,	Mary L. Wells,	72.	18.50	83.82
	Winter,	Alice M. Pratt. . . .	84.		
No. 2,	Summer,	Belle A. Demond,	72.	5.00	
	Winter,	Sarah Moulton. . . .	72.		
No. 3,	Summer,	. . . . .		
	Winter,	Lewis M. Smith,	26.	.62	
No. 5,	Summer,	Alice E. Cowden	72.		1.80
	Winter,	Alice E. Cowden	84.	13.63	
No. 7,	Summer,	Sarah O. Moulton, . .	72.		
No. 6,	Winter,	S. Nellie Boyce,	72.80	2.00	3.50
No. 8,	Summer,	Alice M. Pratt,	72.	19.00	
	Winter,	Walter A. Hunter, . .	90.		
No. 9,	Summer,	Jennie I. Lovell,	72.	1.50	
High Sch.,	Fall,	J. N. Darling,	180.	13.75	
	Winter,	J. N. Darling,	180.		

ROLL OF HONOR.



Below is a list of those scholars who, by the constancy and punctuality of their attendance, deserve honorable mention. The list is compiled on the basis of excusing one day's non-attendance and one tardy mark.

CENTRE HIGH SCHOOL.

Fall Term.

Henry B. Davis,
Fred. F. Cowden,
Bertie D. Smith,
Nellie I. Bruce.

Winter Term.

Unfinished.

CENTRE PRIMARY.

Summer Term.

Mary A. Demond,
Lizzie M. Putnam,
Nellie I. Bruce,
Frank F. Dana,
Willie M. Demond,
Sumner A. Taylor,
Arthur S. Dodge,
Albert N. Putnam,
Hattie E. Dana,
Marcia Z. Sherwood,
Mary A. Putnam,
Matthew Sherwood,
Mark A. Putnam,
Hamilton Sherwood,
James Sherwood,
Loring J. Taylor,
Carrie S. Pierce,
Cora B. Eames,
Lottie E. Browning.

Winter Term.

Mary E. Browning,
Lucy C. Dodge,
Cora B. Eames,
Lizzie M. Putnam,
Mary A. Putnam,
Etta S. Putnam,
Marcia Z. Sherwood,
Leslie Armitage,
Lucius M. Bacon,
Bertie D. Bartlett,
Arthur G. Dodge,
Frank F. Dana,
Clarence Dodge,
Willie M. Demond,
Mark M. Putnam,
Leroy S. Putnam,
Albert N. Putnam,
James Sherwood,
Matthew Sherwood,
Sumner A. Taylor,
Loring J. Taylor,
George B. Woodis.

No. 1. SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Carrie E. Allen,
Lizzie M. Stackpole,
Bertha E. Allen,

Winter Term.

Lizzie M. Stackpole,
Carrie E. Allen,
John T. Davis,
George A. Hatstat,
Arthur W. Davis,

No. 2 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Jennie Hammond,
Nellie Hammond,
Anna Hammond,
Jennie Campbell,
Katie Hammond,
Frank H. Miles,
Lewis A. Forbush,
Charlie J. Campbell.

Winter Term.

Anna Hammond,
Nellie Hammond,
Jennie Campbell,
Katie Hammond,
Hannah Hammond.

No. 5 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Effie Wesson,
Vara A. Stearns,
Edna W. Charter,
Mabel R. Charter,
Effie E. Goulding,
Bertha L. Stearns,
Henry C. Goulding,
Earnest W. Bliss.

Winter Term.

Effie M. Wesson,
Mae E. Stearns,
Lewis E. Moore,

No. 6 AND 7 SCHOOLS.

Summer Term.

Lillie May Chamberlin,
Dora I. Dudley,
Cora O. Dudley,

Winter Term.

George H. Rice,
Dora I. Dudley,

No. 8 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Willie E. Brooks,

Winter Term.

Mary A. Truax,
 Willie E. Brooks,
 Roland Moore,
 Leslie Moore.

No. 9 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Emma Woodis,
 Ella Woodis,
 Rosie Woodis,
 George B. Woodis,

Helen Moulton,
 Lena Woodis,
 Sammie Moulton,
 Mercie Upham.

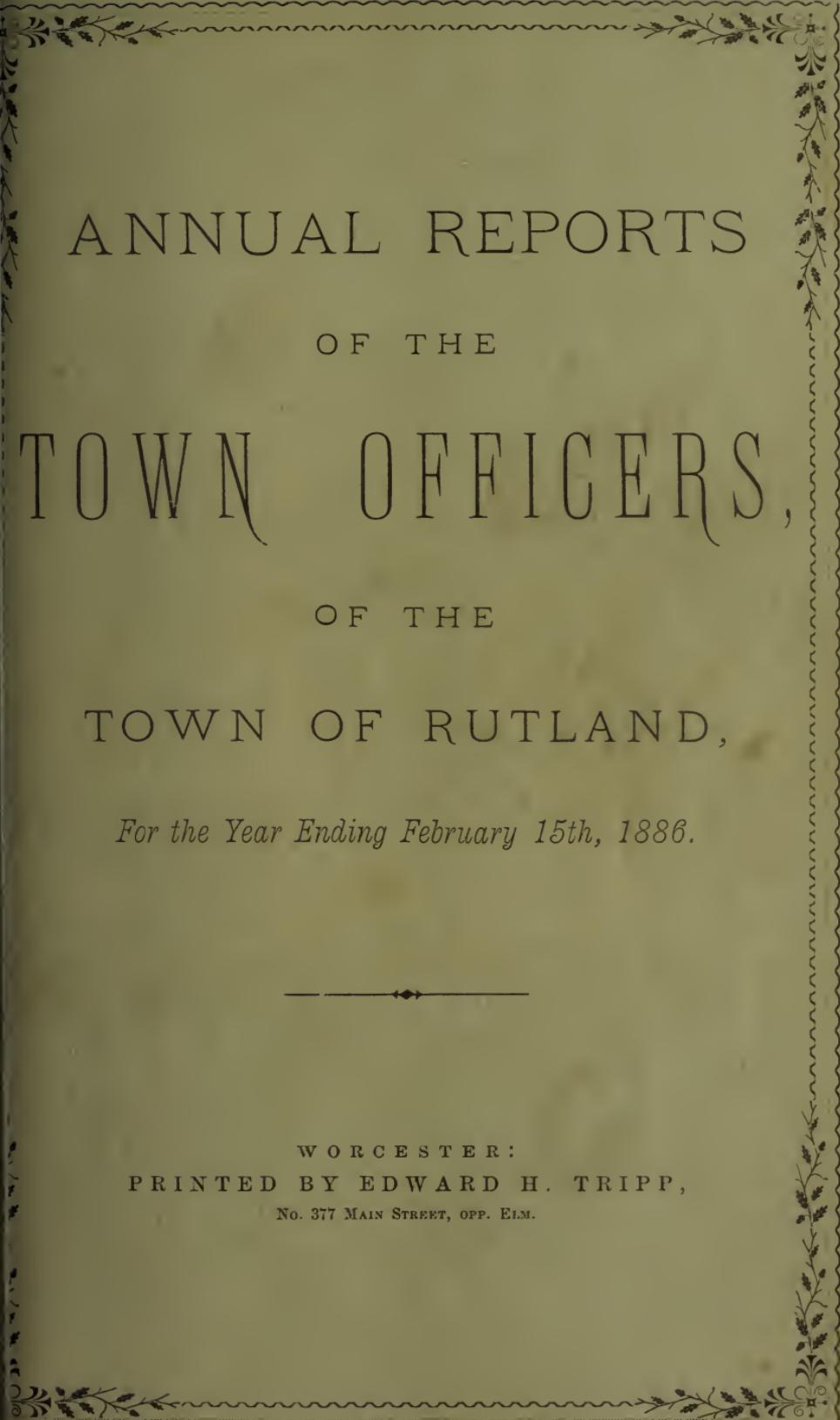
Whole number of names on record 95. Whole number whose record is perfect for the year 20, a gain of 2 over last year.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWTON T. HADLEY,
 WALTER C. BOYCE,
 WALTER A. HUNTER,

School Committee.

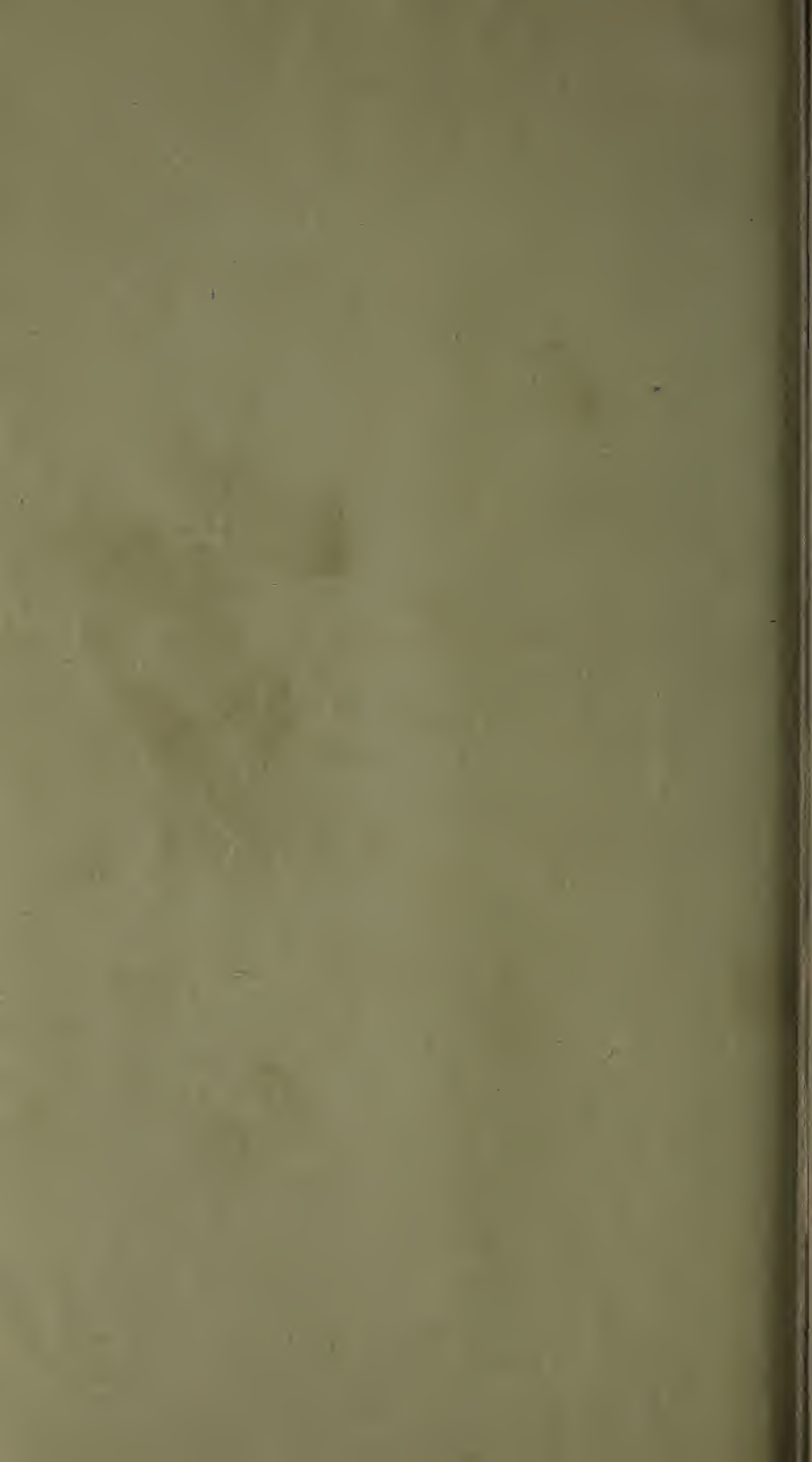
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TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN,

M. R. MOULTON, F. G. BARTLETT, J. W. MONROE.

TOWN CLERK,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM,

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

BENJAMIN F. BROWNING.

OVERSEERS OF POOR,

D. F. SMITH, J. MILO SKINNER, J. S. KENNEN.

ASSESSORS,

ALONZO DAVIS, T. S. HEALD, C. R. BARTLETT.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

L. T. HADLEY, W. C. BOYCE, W. A. HUNTER.

ROAD COMMISSIONER.

E. C. ALLEN.

CONSTABLES,

D. F. SMITH, B. F. BROWNING, GEO. S. PUTNAM.

SEXTON,

GEORGE S. PUTNAM.

LIBRARIAN,

MRS. F. R. FOSTER.

A List of Jurors presented by the Selectmen, for the ensuing year,

Walter H. Bartlett, George W. Cowden, Stephen W. Fay,
Elijah Goulding, George W. Hudson, Lawton T. Hadley, Fred S.
Hunt, William W. Prescott, Dennis A. Smith, John N. Sargent,
Walter B. Ware, Henry A. Kennen. Joel Stone, William C.
Temple, Elbridge Acker, M. M. Stackpole.

WARRANT

FOR MARCH MEETING, 1886.

WORCESTER, SS. To David F. Smith, Constable for the Town of Rutland :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Rutland, on Monday, the first day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles : To wit.

- ART. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.
 4. To see what sums of money the Town will raise for the support of the Public Schools ; for repairs on the Highways ; for the support of the Poor ; for the contingent charges and paying debts ; and for the suppression of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town the ensuing year ; and appropriate the same.
 5. To determine the manner of repairing the Highways, and making them passable when encumbered with snow.
 6. To see what interest shall be charged on Taxes not paid in a specified time.
 7. To see if the Treasurer shall be Collector of Taxes, and to determine the compensation of Treasurer and Collector.

8. To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.
9. To see if the Town will vote to limit the number of Schools in Town, or act thereon.
10. To see if the Town will pay some one to ring the Bell for deaths, and at specified hours of the day.
11. To see if the Town will authorize their Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town, under the direction of the Selectmen.
12. To see if the Town will vote to grant License for the sale of Intoxicating liquors in the Town.
13. To see if the Town will make any change in the Bridge over Mill brook on the Miles road, or act thereon.
14. To see if the Town will rescind the Votes passed by the Town in regard to exempting property from taxes in the Town, or act thereon.
15. To determine the manner of warning future Meetings.
16. To see what method the Town will adopt to have their Town House taken care of.
17. To do any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to the vote of said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of February, in the year 1886.

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i> of <i>Rutland.</i>
F. G. BARTLETT,	
J. W. MUNROE,	

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY,

AS APPRAISED BY THE OVERSEERS FEBRUARY 13th, 1886.

Real estate,	\$2,500 00
Farming tools and household furniture,	600 00
Horse,	85 00
Oxen,	145 00
7 cows,	245 00
2 three-year olds,	45 00
1 two-year old,	25 00
1 pair two-year old steers	45 00
5 shoates,	50 00
4 pigs,	10 00
45 fowls,	25 00
6 tons English hay,	120 00
3 tons meadow hay,	24 00
1½ tons Hungarian,	25 00
2 tons Rye straw,	24 00
Corn fodder,	15 00
7 bushels oats,	3 15
8 bushels barley,	8 00
5 bushels rye,	3 75
65 bushels corn,	48 75
150 bushels potatoes,	90 00
Garden vegetables,	10 00
12 barrels apples and canned fruit,	16 67
Cider vinegar,	41 00

Salt pork,	\$ 8 00
Salt beef,	12 00
Lard,	7 30
Butter,	3 24
Beans and peas,	9 50
Tallow and candles,	2 30
Flour,	3 00
Soap and salt,	5 00
Tea, crackers, sugar and molasses,	4 88
Spices and creamtartar,	75
Lumber,	3 00
Lead, glass and nails,	2 50
Barb wire,	4 70
Fresh beef and beef hide,	12 82
Dried apple,	1 20
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	\$4,279 51

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES AT ALMSHOUSE.

Interest on real and personal estate, appraised February 13, 1885, at 6% on \$4,225 15,	\$253 50
Salary of warden for the year ending April 1, 1886,	365 00
Bought flour, meal and crackers,	285 37
Meat and fish,	55 66
Tea, sugar and molasses,	70 59
Spices. creamtartar, and soda,	9 70
Cloth, yarn and thread,	18 99
Grinding grain.	4 89
Oil, stove polish, etc.,	7 18
Tin, earthen and glass ware,	5 89
Matches, soap and salt,	12 80
Tobacco and pipes,	10 20
Boots and shoes,	4 40
Making cider,	18 18
Paper and brooms,	2 66
Blacksmithing,	8 45
Farming tools and use of same,	53 06
Stock keeping and use of same,	36 07
Grass and other seeds,	17 09
Paris Green, lime and phosphate,	50 85
Labor,	137 70
Repairing buildings,	7 89
Medicines,	4 74
Doctor bills at almshouse,	9 00
Geo. S. Putnam, coffin for Joseph Newcomb,	15 00
Cheese,	2 97
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	\$1,467 83

SUMMARY OF INCOME AT ALMSHOUSE.

Sold 1,300 pounds butter,		\$323 78
Eggs and poultry,		12 09
Grass and other seeds,		26 27
Hay and straw,		16 67
Board for Davis Browning,		70 20
Vegetables,		63 70
Stock and use of same,		38 58
Calves,		57 52
Beef,		66 18
Rags,		1 76
Increase in appraisal of personal property,		54 36
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		\$731 11
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Net expenses at farm,		\$736 72
Whole number of weeks board,	417	
Cost per week,	\$1 77	

The following persons have been supported at the almshouse the past year, ending Feb. 13, 1886.

Michael Croning,	age, 86	52 weeks.
Lucy Sawyer,	" 74	52 "
Asa Lakin,	" 85	52 "
Eliza Lakin,	" 82	52 "
Davis Browning,	" 81	52 "
Rebecca Browning,	" 87 (died Sept. 9th.)	29 "
Joseph Newcomb,	" 65 (died May 3d.)	11 "
Asahel Preston,	" 78	8 "
Charles Newton,	" 73	36 "
Josiah Ware,	" 28	37 "
Mrs. William O. Smith,	" 58	17 "
R. J. Brooks,	" 74	3 "
Harry F. Leonard,	" 5	10 "
Tramps, (22)		3 "
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Whole number of weeks,		417

TOWN ORDERS FOR 1885 AND 1886.

March 7,	George A. Kimball, for hay,	\$97 50
April 1,	Clifton Parkhurst, for salary 1884,	188 20
18,	Mrs. E. E. Dana, phosphate,	48 55
April,	Hospital bill,	41 99
	Town of Westboro, for E. Rice,	24 95

May 5,	Geo. S. Putnam, coffin for Joseph Newcomb,	\$ 15 00
June 10,	J. Thomas Lawless, for labor,	20 00
July 11,	Hospital bill,	52 95
	14, Clifton Parkhurst, salary for 1885,	28 00
	30, J. Thomas Lawless, for labor,	10 00
Sep. 11,	J. Thomas Lawless, for labor,	15 00
	17, Clifton Parkhurst, salary, 1885,	150 00
Oct. 29,	Dr. J. G. Shannon, for Farrington,	19 50
April 19,	Dr. J. G. Shannon, for Joseph Newcomb,	6 00
Nov. 3,	A. Hatstatt, for aid Farrington,	4 00
	4, J. Thomas Lawless, for labor,	15 00
	7, Hospital bill,	42 71
Dec. 3,	J. Thomas Lawless, for labor,	48 85
	4, Geo. S. Putnam, coffin for Mrs. Farrington,	20 50
Jan. 4,	Clifton Parkhurst, salary 1885,	20 00
	16, Hospital bill,	44 51
	21, Geo. S. Putnam, coffin for Lyman Wilson,	10 00
	27, Town of Grafton for Stratton Family,	41 00
	18, Mrs. E. E. Dana, goods for Lyman Wilson,	7 29
Nov. 1,	Bates & Glazier, keeping stock,	30 72
	D. F. Smith, expenses,	2 50
Feb. 10,	A. Hatstatt, goods for Farrington,	7 70
	Henry Bliss, for board and transportation of Wm. E. Kerles, a State Pauper,	6 26
	J. G. Shannon bill,	2 50
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		\$1,021 18

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Cash Received of Town Treasurer, to balance,	\$1,021 18
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EXPENSE OF SUPPORTING PAUPERS OUT OF THE ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Lunatic Asylum for Wm. O. Smith,	\$182 16
Town of Grafton for S. A. Stratton,	41 00
Town of Westboro, for E. Rice,	24 95
Dr J. G. Shannon for Mrs Farrington,	19 00
Geo. S. Putnam, for robe and coffin for Mrs. Farrington,	20 50
Geo. S. Putnam, robe and coffin for L. Wilson,	10 00
Mrs. E. E. Dana grocers for Mrs. L. Wilson,	7 29

A. Hatstat, groceries for Mrs. Farrington, \$11 70
 Henry Bliss, for board and transportation of
 Edward Kerles, state pauper, 6 26

\$322 86

Reimbursement from state, 6 26

Making a total of 316 60

Expenses at almshouse, 736 72

Overseers expenses, 2 50

Overseers services, 49 00

Making a total of \$1,104 82

As expense of supporting the Town and other Paupers the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

D. F. SMITH,
 J. MILO SKINNER, }
 JAMES S. KENNEN, } Overseers
 of
 Poor.

Rutland, February 15, 1886.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

B. F. BROWNING, Treasurer.

Dr.

1885.

Mar.	17,	Received of F. R. Foster, Treasurer,		
		for the year 1885,	\$1,584	22
Apr.	4,	do do do	266	00
	22,	do do do	431	00
May	2,	do do do	200	00
June	6,	do do do	250	00
July	1,	do do do	100	00
	1,	Received of Selectmen, cash borrow,	1,000	00
	3,	Received of D. Demond. Auct. Lic.	2	00
	17,	Received F. R. Foster, Treas.	100	00
Aug.	1,	do do do	176	00
	25,	do do do	150	00
Sept.	4,	Received of Geo. A. Putnam, cash bor.	300	00
		Received of E. Muzzy, cash borrowed,	100	00
		Received of Town of Holden, State		
		Aid reimbursed of Myron J. Kennan,	8	91
	19,	Received of First National Bank of		
		Worcester, cash borrowed,	493	54
Oct.	3,	Received of F. R. Foster, Treas., 1884,	176	00
Nov.	7,	Received of G. W. Hudson, for use of		
		Town Hall,	2	51
	1,	Received of F. R. Foster, Treas., 1884,	217	38
	28,	Received of W. J. Hunt, poll tax,	2	00
Dec.	5,	Received Corporation Tax,	83	
		Received National Bank Tax,	39	40
		Received State Aid, reimbursed,	211	27
	23,	Received of G. W. Cowden, cash bor.	100	00
		Received of F. R. Foster, Treas., 1884,	75	00

1886.

Jan.	Received County Dog Fund,	\$136 57	
27,	Received School Fund,	211 17	
28,	Received of F. R. Foster, Treas., 1884,	25 16	
Feb. 15,	Received of Overseers, Pauper Aid,	6 26	
	Received for Board of D. D. Browning,	70 20	
15,	Amount of Tax Bills,	<u>7,985 11</u>	
			\$14,420 53

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1885.

Feb	24	Paid interest on note at Mutual Life Assurance Institution,	\$100 00
	24,	Paid interest on note at Wor. County Institution for Savings,	300 00
Sept.	4,	do do do	300 00
	24,	do Mutual Life Assurance,	100 00
Oct.	12,	Paid one-half county tax,	192 00
Nov.	4,	Paid Assessors abatement on taxes,	200 00
	4,	do do do	180 00
	9,	Paid E. Muzzy note and interest,	101 00
	10,	Paid abatement on taxes,	217 38
	23,	Paid Geo. A. Putnam note and int.,	303 08
	27,	Paid one-half county tax,	192 00
	27,	Paid Wor. County Institution for Savings, note and interest,	1,016 33
	28,	Paid abatement on taxes,	8 00
Dec.	12,	Paid State Tax,	420 00
	23,	Paid note and interest at First National Bank,	500 00

1886.

Feb.	15,	Paid 200 orders,	6,228 40	
			<u> </u>	\$9,981 99
Balance in treasury, Feb. 15, 1886, including tax bills,			\$4,438 54	

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. BROWNING, *Treasurer.*

Rutland, February 15, 1886.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Rutland :

Your Selectmen respectfully present the following as the financial condition of the Town for the year ending Feb. 15, 1886.

We have drawn upon the Treasury during the past year 200 orders, amounting to \$6228 40.

The appropriations for the Town were as follows :

State Tax,	\$420 00
County Tax,	384 00
Town Grant,	7000 00
Overlay on Taxes,	181 11

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Worcester Savings Inst'n, note and interest to Mar. 1,	\$15,300 00
State Mutual Life Assurance Co.	5,100 00
Geo. W. Cowden, note,	100 00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

250 Shares in Cent. Mass. R. R. Co.,	
Due from State Treasury for State Aid,	\$216 00
“ “ Central Mass. R. R. Co.	76 95
“ in hands of Treasurer,	4438 54
“ from Town Hall Janitor,	5 50

Leaving a balance against the Town of	15763 01
Showing a gain in the last 12 months of	565 00

1885

ORDERS PAID.

Mar. 1,	No. 1, W. B. Browning, Centre School,	\$4 00
	2, E. C. Dudley, School No. 6,	3 00
	3, Merrill Chickering, snow bill,	6 33
	4, T. Sibley Heald, snow bill,	24 25
	5, George A. Woods, snow bill,	4 25
	6, J. N. Darling, Centre school,	180 00
	7, Walter C. Boyce, schools,	1 35
	8, Henry D. Rice, snow bill,	5 50
	9, Michael Leary, snow bill,	10 00
	10, F. R. Foster, state aid,	41 00
	11, Elbridge Acker, snow bill,	3 74
	12, John D. Clair, snow bill,	17 83
	13, Walter C. Boyce, school,	2 74
	14, Aiden H. Miles, snow bill,	9 37
Apr. 4,	15, Sylvester Prescott, School No. 5,	10 00
	16, F. R. Foster, State aid,	16 00
	17, James Sherwood, schools,	35 62
	18, B. F. Browning, abatement on taxes,	4 00
	19, B. F. Browning, State aid,	11 00
	20, Geo. A. Kimball, Overseers bill,	97 50
	21, Chester W. Dodge, snow bill,	8 67
	22, Michael Gleason, snow bill,	4 66
	23, Lawton T. Hadley, School No. 5,	90 50
May 2,	24, Aiden H. Miles, snow bill,	2 35
	25, L. T. Hadley, school supplies,	21 11
	26, E. E. Dana, Overseers bill,	37 00
	27, Geo. P. Woodis, snow bill,	4 08
	28, John B. Wells, snow bill,	4 83
	29, Aiden H. Miles, snow bill,	3 66
	30, Geo. B. Munroe, snow bill,	19 33
	31, F. R. Foster, Centre school,	25 00
	32, Edward C. Allen, highway,	65 50
	33, Geo. E. Bigelow, snow bill,	6 00
	34, E. C. Allen, snow bill,	2 33
	35, James Scott, snow bill,	83
	36, B. F. Browning, State aid,	10 00
	37, B. F. Browning, State aid,	24 00
	38, Edward C. Allen, highway,	20 60
	39, E. H. Tripp, printing,	35 00
	40, Worcester Hospital, Overseers bill,	41 99
	41, Louis M. Hanff, School No. 5,	7 20
	42, Clifton Parkhurst, Overseers bill,	188 20
	43, Ivory Wales, snow bill and highway,	25 83
	44, Henry A. Kennen, snow bill,	17 16
June 6,	45, E. C. Allen, highway,	279 92
	46, James M. Taylor, snow bill,	26 34

June 6,	47, Ahira L. Chamberlin, snow bill,	\$ 17 63
	48, S. K. Pierce, schools,	3 75
	49, Elijah Goulding, snow bill,	28 21
	50, Geo. S. Putnam, Overseers,	15 00
	51, Town of Westborough, Overseers,	24 95
	52, Sanford & Co., schools,	132 10
	53, B. F. Browning, State aid,	41 00
	54, B. F. Browning, School No. 6,	3 00
	55, J. Warren Bigelow, expense to Boston,	3 00
	56, John N. Sargent, snow bill,	29 25
	57, Geo. S. Putnam, Sexton,	14 50
	58, Geo. A. Putnam, library,	13 00
July 3,	59, E. C. Allen, highway,	512 57
	60, Nellie E. Stackpole, School No. 1,	66 00
	61, Alice M. Pratt, School No. 7,	72 00
	62, Marcia P. Hill, Centre school,	120 00
	63, B. F. Browning, State aid,	29 00
	64, Sanford & Co., schools,	1 68
	65, Nellie G. Spaulding, School No. 9,	66 00
	66, Jennie E. Gates, School No. 8,	66 00
	67, M. E. Brown, School No. 6,	66 00
	68, John T. Lawless, Overseers,	20 00
	69, H. E. Wheeler, snow bill,	10 83
	70, Geo. S. Putnam, School No. 5,	3 78
	71, Clifford P. Graton, School No. 7,	1 50
	72, Ella S. Woodis, School No. 9,	1 75
	73, Sumner A. Taylor, Centre School,	2 00
	74, M. R. Moulton, Selectman, &c.	10 00
	75, Hattie Sargent, School No. 3,	61 50
	76, Ava S. Bigelow, School No. 5,	72 00
August 1,	77, Walter C. Boyce, schools and highway,	27 66
	78, B. F. Browning, State aid,	30 00
	79, J. W. Mellen, School No. 2,	2 00
	80, Abbie L. Brooks, School No. 2,	66 00
	81, Worcester Hospital, Overseers,	52 96
	82, J. Thomas Lawless, Overseers,	10 00
	83, Clifton Parkhurst, Overseers,	28 00
	84, E. Wellington, snow bill and sexton,	2 75
	85, Chas. R. Bartlett, Assessors,	20 00
	86, Mrs. F. R. Foster, Librarian,	26 00
Sept. 5,	87, E. C. Allen, highway,	50 25
	88, Ebenezer Wellington, Sexton,	1 50
	89, Henry Moore, highway and snow bill,	29 00
	90, B. F. Browning, State aid,	35 00
	91, Francis Hapgood, snow bill,	1 93
	92, Clark & Sawyer, School No. 5,	6 01
	93, E. C. Allen, highway,	157 67

Sept. 5,	94, Abel Baker, ringing bell,	\$ 36 50
	95, Joseph Miles, schools,	10 00
	96, Aiden H. Miles, highways,	5 33
Oct. 3,	97, Sanford & Co., schools,	36 31
	98, B. F. Browning, State aid,	35 00
	99, Lawson S. Brigham, snow bill,	3 67
	100, Clifton Parkhurst, Overseers,	150 00
	101, A. L. Chamberlin, highway,	5 00
	102, F. C. Bigelow, School No. 8,	2 63
	103, E. H. Tripp, printing for Assessors,	25 00
	104, Wm. E. Brooks, School No. 8,	2 00
	105, Geo. P. Woodis, highway,	1 50
	106, J. Thomas Lawless, Overseers,	15 00
	107, E. C. Allen, highway,	198 12
Nov. 7,	108, W. C. Boyce, schools,	17 90
	109, C. E. Burbank, Centre School,	40 00
	110, Joseph Valley, highway,	1 83
	111, C. H. Upham, snow bill,	10 41
	112, Alonzo Davis, Assessor,	32 00
	113, Henry D. Rice, highway,	4 00
	114, Geo. S. Putnam, Sexton,	27 25
	115, Alfred Hatstatt, snow bill,	2 25
	116, Chas. E. Burbank, Centre school,	40 00
	117, C. A. Hatstatt, overseers,	4 00
	118, J. T. Lawless, overseers,	15 00
	119, W. A. Hunter, School Committee,	25 00
	120, Thomas L. Campbell, snow bill,	99
	121, Iver Johnson & Co., for handcuffs,	4 75
	122, James G. Shannon, overseers,	11 00
	123, James G. Shannon, overseers,	22 50
	124, Dennis O' Herron, snow bill,	6 98
Dec. 5,	125, B. F. Browning, State aid,	35 00
	126, E. C. Allen, snow bill,	8 74
	127, E. C. Allen, highway,	28 52
	128, Geo. W. Hudson, repairs,	5 33
	129, T. Sibley Heald, Assessor,	20 00
	130, Geo. A. Putnam, register, &c.	4 00
	131, Lawton T. Hadley, schools,	49 45
	132, B. W. Potter, advice to Overseers, School Committee, and Assessors,	10 00
	133, Worcester Hospital, Overseers,	42 71
	134, John Fenton, schools,	2 62
	135, Joseph Davis, snow bill,	13 50
	136, S. K. Pierce, schools,	2 75
	137, Marcius P. Hill, Centre school,	120 00
	138, John T. Lawless, overseers,	48 85
	139, B. F. Browning, State aid,	35 00

Dec. 5,	140, Sumner A. Taylor, Centre school,	\$ 5 00
	141, Chas. E. Burbank, Centre school,	40 00
	142, E. C. Allen, highway,	124 88
	143, J. M. Taylor, highway,	9 06
	144, Chester Armstrong, highway,	2 00
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Jan. 2,	145, Joseph Miles, School No. 2,	2 50
	146, Jennie E. Gates, School No. 2,	72 20
	147, Walter A. Hunter, School No. 8,	30 00
	148, Geo. Tyler, road scraper,	15 00
	149, B. F. Browning, State Aid,	35 00
	150, Geo. S. Putnam, overseers,	20 50
	151, James Mellen, School No. 2,	3 00
	152, Abbie L. Brooks, School No. 7,	48 00
Feb. 6,	153, State aid, B. F. Browning,	35 00
	154, Ina A. Potter, School No. 3,	75 00
	155, W. A. Hunter, schools, &c.,	65 00
	156, Abbie L. Brooks, School No. 7,	24 00
	157, Millie N. Stackpole, School No. 1,	72 00
	158, Frances I. Putnam, School No. 5,	72 00
	159, Mrs. F. R. Foster, Librarian,	26 00
	160, Worcester Hospital, overseers,	44 51
	161, Geo. M. Glazier, overseers,	30 72
	162, Geo. A. Graton, School No. 7,	2 00
	163, Geo. S. Putnam, overseers,	10 00
	164, Willie E. Brooks, School No. 8,	2 00
	165, E. E. Dana, overseers bill,	22 84
	166, Town of Grafton, overseers bill,	41 00
	167, Clifton Parkhurst, overseers,	20 00
	168, Mortimer Stackpole, School No. 1,	3 40
	169, Abel Baker, ringing bell,	36 50
	170, Lawton T. Hadley, School Committee,	29 50
	171, " " " " " "	12 19
	172, Elijah Goulding, snow bill,	34 66
	173, H. Jones Davis, snow bill, &c.	10 75
12,	174, Walter C. Boyce, School Committee,	15 00
	175, John W. Munroe, snow bill,	13 50
	176, M. R. Moulton, highway,	7 50
	177, M. R. Moulton, Selectman,	18 00
	178, F. G. Bartlett, fare to Boston,	3 00
	179, F. G. Bartlett, Selectman,	22 00
15,	180, John W. Munroe, Selectman,	21 00
	181, David F. Smith, lumber,	1 68
	182, David F. Smith, Constable, &c.,	12 50
	183, Era C. Dudley, schools,	7 00
	184, E. C. Allen, snow bill,	1 88
	185, Geo. Putnam, Clerk and schools,	36 49

Feb. 15,	186, Fred. S. Hunt, snow bill,	\$ 3 67
	187, D. F. Smith, Overseer,	21 50
	188, J. S. Kennen, Overseer,	10 00
	189, J. Milo Skinner, Overseer,	17 50
	190, B. F. Browning, Collector and Treasurer,	59 00
	191, Geo. S. Putnam, Sexton,	17 25
	192, Henry C. Bliss, overseers,	6 26
	193, B. F. Browning, borrowing money,	5 00
	194, J. G. Shannon, overseers,	5 50
	195, Alfred Hatstatt, overseers,	7 70
	196, L. T. Hadley, School Committee,	5 00
	197, Prouty Brothers, stove pipe for hall,	6 75
	198, Dennis Leary, snow bill,	5 33
	199, Alice M. Pratt, School No. 6,	91 00
	200, F. R. Foster, for team,	50

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	\$25 00
Francis G. Bartlett,	22 00
John W. Munroe,	21 00

TOWN CLERK.

Paid George A. Putnam,	35 59
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ASSESSORS.

Paid Alonzo Davis,	32 00
T. Sibley Heald,	20 00
Charles R. Bartlett,	20 00

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid David F. Smith,	21 50
J. M. Skinner,	17 50
James S. Kennen,	10 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Lawton T. Hadley,	34 50
Walter C. Boyce,	31 00
Walter A. Hunter,	30 00

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid Benjamin F. Browning,	59 00
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CONSTABLE.

Paid David F. Smith,	10 00
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SEXTONS.

Paid George S. Putnam,	59 00
E. Wellington,	3 00

LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. F. R. Foster,	52 00
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CONTINGENT.

Paid B. F. Browning, abatement on taxes,	\$ 4 00
E. H. Tripp, printing,	35 00
J. W. Bigelow, expense to Boston,	3 00
M. R. Moulton, " "	3 00
Abel Baker, ringing bell,	36 50
E. H. Tripp, printing Assessors' report,	25 00
Iver Johnson & Co., hand-cuffs,	4 75
J. G. Shannon, reporting births,	11 00
Geo. W. Hudson, repairs on Town House,	1 00
Geo. A. Putnam, repairs on hearse,	1 00
B. W. Potter, for Overseers, School Com. and Assessors,	10 00
George Tyler, road scraper,	15 00
Abel Baker, ringing bell,	36 50
F. G. Bartlett, expenses to Boston,	3 00
D. F. Smith, for lumber,	1 68
M. R. Moulton, stationery and labor on highway,	3 00
B. F. Browning, borrowing money,	5 00
Prouty Brothers, stove pipe,	6 75
F. R. Foster, team,	50
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	\$205 68

STATE AID.

Paid Willard S. Woodis,	297 00
Roswell Bemis,	115 00
H. N. Bemis,	4 00
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	\$416 00

One half of the above is reimbursed by the State.

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid W. B. Browning, Centre,	\$ 4 00
E. C. Dudley, No. 6,	3 00
J. N. Darling, Centre School,	180 00
W. C. Boyce,	1 35
W. C. Boyce,	2 74
Sylvester Prescott, for wood,	10 00
James Sherwood, for wood,	35 62
L. T. Hadley, repairs and desks,	90 50
L. T. Hadley, school supplies,	21 11
F. R. Foster, wood,	25 00
Louis M. Hanff, painting,	7 20

S. K. Pierce,	\$ 3 75
Sanford & Co.,	132 10
B. F. Browning,	3 00
M. F. Stackpole,	66 00
Alice M. Pratt,	72 00
Marcia P. Hill,	120 00
Sanford & Co.,	1 68
Nellie G. Spaulding,	66 00
Jennie E. Gates,	66 00
M. E. Brown,	66 00
Geo. S. Putnam,	3 78
Clifford P. Graton,	1 50
Ella S. Woodis,	1 75
Sumner A. Taylor,	2 00
Hattie Sargent,	61 50
Ava S. Bigelow,	72 00
J. W. Mellen,	2 00
Abbie L. Brooks,	66 00
Clark & Sawyer,	6 01
Joseph Miles, wood,	10 00
Sanford & Co.,	36 31
F. C. Bigelow,	2 63
Wm. E. Brooks,	2 00
W. C. Boyce, supplies,	17 90
C. E. Burbank,	40 00
C. E. Burbank,	40 00
G. W. Hudson,	4 33
L. T. Hadley, supplies,	49 45
John Fenton,	2 62
S. K. Pierce,	2 75
Marcia P. Hill,	120 00
Sumner A. Taylor,	5 00
C. E. Burbank,	40 00
Joseph Miles,	2 50
Jennie E. Gates,	72 20
Walter A. Hunter,	30 00
James Mellen,	3 00
Abbie L. Brooks,	48 00
Ina A. Potter,	75 00
W. A. Hunter,	60 00
Abbie L. Brooks,	24 00
Millie F. Stackpole,	72 00
Frances I. Putnam,	72 00
George A. Graton,	2 00
Willie E. Brooks,	2 00
Mortimer Stackpole,	3 40
L. T. Hadley,	12 19

H. J. Davis,	\$ 4 50
E. C. Dudley,	7 00
G. A. Putnam,	90
Alice M. Pratt,	91 00
Total Expense of Schools,	<hr/> \$2147 27

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Clerk,	35 59
Selectmen,	68 00
Assessors,	72 00
Overseers of Poor,	49 00
School Committee,	95 50
Collector and Treasurer,	59 00
Constable,	10 00
Sextons,	62 00
Librarian,	52 00
Breaking Roads,	418 93
Repairing Highways,	1499 25
State Aid,	416 00
Schools and School Contingent,	2147 27
Overseers' Orders,	1021 18
Contingent Expenses,	205 68
Library Committee,	13 00
Geo. A. Putnam, Register, Etc.	4 00
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GUIDE POSTS.

In obedience to the laws of the Commonwealth, we report in regard to Guide Posts, that they are erected in the following places : One at the junction of the road leading from Barre to Paxton, at West Rutland ; one near Era C. Dudley's ; one near Miles Holden's ; one near Centre Post Office ; one near the new hotel ; one near D. W. Fletcher's ; one near Walter H. Bartlett's ; one near Benj. Allen's ; one near Alfred Hatstatt's ; one near No. 1 School house ; one near John C. Greenleaf's ; one near D. R. Wheeler's ; one near the Moses B. Smith place ; one near the New Boston mill ; one near Erastus Dean's ; one near Charles E. Ried's ; one near Daniel Nihin's ; and one near Charles R. Bartlett's.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i> <i>of</i> <i>Rutland.</i>
F. G. BARTLETT,	
J. W. MUNROE,	

Rutland, February 15th, 1886.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

TO THE SELECTMEN OF RUTLAND :

The Town at its last March meeting appropriated the sum of fifteen hundred dollars for the repairs of Highways and Bridges. There was expended under my direction, for men's labor and teams,

In the month of	March,	to the amount of	\$ 20 60
"	"	April,	" 65 50
"	"	May,	" 279 92
"	"	June,	" 512 57
"	"	July,	" 50 25
"	"	August,	" 157 67
"	"	September,	" 198 12

There was expended in October and November, mostly for repairs of bridges and sluices, including lumber, 124 88
Sundry bills for repair of tools, &c. 28 52

In consequence of the damage done to the roads in the summer by the heavy showers, repairs were made by different individuals, and paid for out of the appropriation as follows :

Ivory Wales,	\$ 1 50
Henry Moore,	26 50
A. H. Miles,	5 33
A. L. Chamberlin,	5 00
G. P. Woodis,	1 50
Jos. Valley,	1 83
H. D. Rice,	4 00
J. M. Taylor,	9 06
Chester Armstrong,	2 00
J. Sherwood,	3 00
Calvin Lane,	1 50

\$1499 25

I had intended to have had all the money to be used for scraping expended in the Spring months, or before the first of July, and should have done so but for a disarrangement for the use of teams. The Town might guard against a part of this difficulty by owning and keeping at the Town Farm a pair of horses suitable for the business, using them a part of the time for this business, and the rest of the year to do the work upon the farm.

I had intended to use a large share of the unexpended balance left after finishing with the scraper, in repairing the road known as the Stage road, from Holden line to West Rutland, where many places can only be suitably repaired by carting: but the damage done by the rains, and the condition of the bridges, rendered it impossible.

I have allowed for men's labor 15 cents per hour, or 1.50 per day. For teams, I have allowed for man and pair of horses four dollars per day; and have allowed one shilling per hour in the winter.

The snow bills have been paid as follows:

SNOW BILLS.

Paid Merrill Chickering	\$ 6 33	Paid A. L. Chamberlin	\$ 17 63
T. S. Heald	24 25	Elijah Goulding	28 21
George A. Wood	4 25	John N. Sargent	29 25
H. D. Rice,	5 50	H. E. Wheeler	10 83
Michael Leary	10 00	W. C. Boyce	11 66
E. Acker	3 74	E. Wellington	1 25
John D. Clair	17 83	Henry Moore	2 50
Adin H. Miles	9 37	Francis Hapgood	1 93
C. W. Dodge	8 67	L. S. Brigham	3 67
Michael Gleason	4 66	C. H. Upham	10 41
Adin H. Miles	2 35	Alfred Hatstatt	2 25
George P. Woodis	4 08	T. L. Campbell	99
J. B. Wells	4 83	Dennis O'Herron	6 98
Adin H. Miles	3 66	E. C. Allen	8 74
George B. Munroe	19 33	Joseph Davis	13 50
George E. Bigelow	6 00	Elijah Goulding	34 66
E. C. Allen	2 33	H. J. Davis	6 25
James Scott	83	Dennis Leary	5 33
Ivory Wales	22 33	J. W. Monroe	13 50
Henry A. Kennen	17 16	E. C. Allen	1 88
James M. Taylor	26 34	F. S. Hunt	3 67
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		\$418 93	

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD C. ALLEN.

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1886.

REPORT OF THE

Committee of the Free Public Library,

OF RUTLAND.

GENTLEMEN :

There has been added to the Library, the past year, by gift five books, namely: The Theater, by Josiah W. Leeds. Second Annual Report of the State Agricultural Experiment Station. Acts and Resolves of the General Court, Mass., 1885. Names changed in Mass. from 1780 to 1883, and Manual for the General Court, 1885. The four last from the Secretary of the Commonwealth. As the town appropriation was small no books have been added by purchase. The whole number of books in the Library is 1312. Number taken out the past year 2132.

LIBRARY ACCOUNT FOR THE PAST YEAR.

Appropriation by the town,	\$65 00	
Fines collected the past year,	2 67	
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		\$67 67

EXPENSES OF THE LIBRARY.

Paid Librarian,	\$52 00	
For re-binding 64 books,	15 05	
Express and postage on books,	89	
Balance due from last year,	24	
		\$68 17
Balance due,		\$ 50

Your committee would respectfully call the attention of all readers of the books to our report of last year; and we must emphasize the matter and insist that more care must be taken in the use of the books. No covers of the pages should be turned down to keep the place, nor any cross or any mark on the pages. A strip of paper or any other book mark can be had easily. Some, when they get books, put them in the bottom of their wagons to carry home, and seem to think they never can wear out or get dirty. Please read the rules in every book.

Your committee would recommend an annual appropriation of at least one hundred dollars, so as to keep the Library in good repair and buy a few books every year, or, what we think would be better, appropriate the Dog fund for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE S. DODGE,	} <i>Library</i>
JOHN B. KING,	
GEORGE A. PUTNAM.	

Committee.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for 1885:

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE OF BIRTH.
Benjamin Franklin Clarke,	J. Edmund and Louisa Clarke,	Jan. 25, 1885.
Anna Valentine Potter,	Myron D. and Flora L. Potter,	Feb. 14, "
Anthony Albert Shaw,	Albert E. and Mary Shaw,	" 16, "
Joseph Owen McGann,	Owen W. and Catherine McGann,	Mar. 7, "
Clarence Edward Prescott,	Roland C. and Joanna K. Prescott,	" 8, "
Charles Sumner Putnam,	Daniel C. and M. Louisa Putnam,	" 29, "
Emeline Edith Taylor,	Simeon D. and Lucy H. I. Taylor,	April 4, "
Augusta Eldora Chickering,	Anelious O. & Minnie C. Chickering,	" 8, "
George Henry Hammond,	William H. and Clara A. Hammond,	" 22, "
Harry Eugene Locke,	Stephen J. and Cora A. Locke,	" 28, "
Walter Herbert Maynard,	D. Herbert and Susie A. Maynard,	May 2, "
Laura Louise Sargent,	John N. and Jane E. Sargent,	" 12, "
Ethel Maria Lois Heald,	T. Sibley and Adah W. Heald,	" 13, "
Harry Eugene Peirce,	Frank E. and Mary J. Pierce,	" 22, "
George Edgar Fay,	George A. and S. Maude Fay,	June 10, "
Ethel Viola Wheeler,	H. Edward and N. Della Wheeler,	" 10, "
Jennie Cornelia Browning,	B. Franklin & Cornelia M. Browning,	Sep. 2, "
Sarah Frances Gillespie,	L. Frank and Julia M. Gillespie,	" 21, "
Chester Arthur Charter,	Andrew S. and Lora L. Charter,	" 24, "
Bessie Louisa Strong,	Henry and Lorinda R. Strong,	" 26, "
Harrie Elwin Griffin,	John H. and Jennie E. Griffin,	Oct. 1, "
Lila Edna Cheever,	Frank L. and Charlotte L. Cheever,	" 31, "
John Abbott Wellington,	Ebenezer and Hannah S. Wellington,	Nov. 19, "
Mary Lizzie Strong,	Amos and Hattie A. Strong,	" 20, "
Amelia Larcome,	Edmund and Victoria Larcome,	Dec. 7, "
Edson Ivory Hunt,	Fred. S. and Abbie R. G. Hunt,	" 8, "

MARRIAGES.

Jan. 18, 1885,	Dwight E. Pratt of Worcester and Carrie E. Hatch of Rutland.
April 22, "	Walter F. Allen of Rutland & Nellie J. Taylor of Hubbardston.
May 27, "	Alonzo E. Edwards and Cora M. Leadbetter, both of Rutland.
June 1, "	Edward P. Keep of Paxton and Alice E. Cowden of Rutland.
Sept. 12, "	Edward C. Allen and Mary A. Cowden, both of Rutland.
Oct. 17, "	Charles H. Butler and Lillah J. Moore, both of Rutland.
" 17, "	Lucius B. Truesdell and Esther Flibbert, both of Holden.
" 22, "	William H. Maynard of Holden and Mary L. Wells of Rutland.
" 22, "	Robert J. Stevenson & Abby A. Armitage, both of Hardwick.
" 27, "	D. Waldo Wheelock and Lucy M. Miles, both of Worcester.
Nov. 25, "	Engene R. Bartley and Margaret Mulhern, both of Rutland.
Dec. 1, "	Elwin A. Horton of Templeton and Carre E. Homer of Rutland.

DEATHS.

DATE. 1885.	NAMES.	AGE.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
Jan. 2,	Agnes Delehunty,	5 yrs. 7 mos. 20 days.	Diphtheria.
" 6,	Sarah J. Delehunty,	15 yrs. 11 mos. 28 d.	Diphtheria.
Feb. 10,	Moses B. Allen,	48 yrs. 4 d.	Erysipelas & blood pois.
Mar. 9,	John C. Greenleaf,	79 yrs. 4 mos. 13 d.	Gen'l dropsy & exh'n.
" 23,	Asa Baker,	80 yrs. 28 d.	Cardiac disease and pneumonia.
April 8,	Mrs. Nancy D. Sawyer,	79 yrs. 26 d.	Old age.
" 18,	Elijah S. Carter,	77 yrs. 10 mos. 27 d.	Nephritis.
" 29,	— Armstrong,		Stillborn.
May 3,	Joseph Newcomb,	62 yrs. 8 mos.	General debility.
" 13,	Lyman R. Forbes,	76 yrs. 3 mos. 4 d.	Inflammation of bowels.
June 22,	Harry E. Peirce,	30 days.	Feeble from birth.
July 9,	— Handy,		Stillborn.
" 27,	Grace E. Phetteplace,	1 yr. of Worcester,	Cholera infantum.
" 30,	Mrs. Isabella Robinson,	28 yrs. 9 mos. 7 d.	Consumption.
" 31,	George Black,	80 yrs. 4 mos.	Old age.
Aug. 12,	S. Nellie Boyce,	21 yrs. 9 mos. 1 d.	Laryngial tuberculosis.
" 13,	Mrs. Tamer Woodis,	80 yrs. 13 d.	Old age, diarrhœa, and exhaustion.
" 17,	— Young,		Stillborn.
Sept. 5,	John Smith,	71 yrs. 4 mos. 8 d.	Consumption.
" 6,	Mrs. Belle A. Temple,	21 yrs. 6 mos. 12 d.	Exhaustion after confinement.
" 6,	— Temple,		Stillborn.
" 9,	Rebecca Browning.	87 yrs. 8 mos.	Old age.
" 26,	Augusta E. Chickering.	5 mos. 18 days.	Consumption.
Nov. 5,	Mrs. Emma F. Wheeler,	34 yrs. 5 mos. 23 d.	Tuberculosis.
Dec. 7,	Mrs. Sally Farrington,	71 yrs.	Heart disease.
" 16,	Mrs. Nancy B. Forbes.	69 yrs. 9 mos. 6 d.	
" 25,	Henry Strong,	30 yrs 11 mos. 4 d.	Concussion of brain. caused by fall from staging,

The following named persons were brought into town and buried:

Feb. 15, 1885,	Miss Almira M. Greene,	50 yrs. 11 mos. 5 d.	Cerebral apoplexy, instant death.
April 20,	" Mrs. Experience Johnson,	90 yrs. 9 mos. 21 d.	Old age.
Oct. 19,	" Alfred Bryant,	7 days,	Cholera infantum.

The whole number of dogs licensed in 1885 was

74 male dogs @ \$2.00,	148 00
6 female dogs @ 5.00,	30 00
	<hr/> \$178 00
Less fees for registration,	16 00
	<hr/> \$162 00
Paid to County Treasurer,	

I wish to say a word in regard to some books that belong to the Town. They are Reports of cases argued and determined in the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts. We have almost a complete set. The volumes missing are 4th Mass. Term Reports, 16th Pickering's Reports, 2d and 11th Metcalf's Reports. The Reports are valuable, and were they studied, might save many a lawsuit. For one, I wish we might find them. Perhaps they may have been taken by some one in town while the books and papers were kept loosely in the Town House, and been forgotten. If any one knows of them or either of them. I would thank them if they would take the trouble to return them to me.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, *Town Clerk.*

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the People of Rutland :

In presenting our annual report, we not only comply with the law of the Commonwealth, but strive to interest *you* in the welfare of our schools. The problem of successfully supporting the school system in these back towns, is one fraught with much difficulty ; and while we realize that the welfare, not only of the town, but of the state, is dependent on the solution of it ; we also feel that the people do not see the vital necessity for an earnest, united effort to master the difficulty, and unitedly labor to place the schools of this town on a firm and successful basis.

We say the welfare of the state depends on the solution of this question, and we think the statement is not too strong, for just as surely as the little streamlets which trickle down from our thousands of hillside springs, united form the mighty power which moves the world of commerce and manufacture ; just so surely the boys and girls from our hillside homes furnish the bone and sinew, the power of mind and body, which controls these mighty agents and makes them yield obedience to the power of man.

Just so surely as our cities need the pure life-giving water from our hills, just as surely they need the pure and vigorous strength of manhood, which alone can come from the same source.

A great responsibility, then, rests with us that our children should be well equipped to take the places and the duties to which they will be called. The burden is heavy for us, but it cannot be lightened with safety, and cannot be thrown down without disaster. Statistics show that the criminal class is largely the ignorant class. Shall we do our part, as parent or citizen, that every child among us shall have an equal chance to the benefits of an education?

In order to do this we must work together. It is not for the parent to stand aside and place the blame of failure on teacher or committee. It is not for the citizen to wash his hands of the whole matter because he has no children to send to school. It is not for the teacher to say, the home training is such that we can do nothing with this pupil. It is not for the committee to say, you demand perfection, where we are powerless to produce even partial success. But it is for *all* to unite, and, placing all personal theories and conveniences aside, labor for that system in our public schools which will be of the most benefit to the greatest number. Let us put aside as much as possible the selfishness, which is common to us all; and feel that the plan which to-day is inconvenient for *us*, may to-morrow be the one which we would most desire.

We briefly call your attention to some of the requisites of a successful school. In the first place, constancy of attendance is a prime essential of success to the individual pupil, and in a less degree of the whole school. Punctual attendance is a necessity; the habit of punctuality formed in youth will be very apt to cling to one thorough life. Show us a boy who went through his school life with tardy marks blackening his name in the register, and we will prophecy a man who will tell you he will pay the five dollars he owes you, to-morrow; and pay it next week; one who will agree to meet you at eight o'clock and come at noon the next day. We are convinced that the men whom we honor for the strict fulfillment of their agreements in small as well as great things, men of whom we say their word is as good as their bond, were punctual in their school duties as well.

In making up the Roll of Honor, we were sorry to note that several failed to have their names enrolled, because of two or three tardy marks; perhaps fifteen minutes absence from school was all that prevented. A loss of time small in itself, but the loss of encouragement to strive for perfection, may lead to a carelessness next term which will result in a failure of the term's work for them.

We feel from a careful examination of the school registers for several years, that the teacher is, in many cases, largely responsible for failures in this matter. We call upon them to so interest themselves in their pupils and in their home life, that their influence may be felt in a manner which will cause greater effort to be made to remedy this evil. We think there are but few cases in which parents would fail to co-operate with the teachers, they are only waiting for the teachers to make the advances. We know that in many cases the parents, by the same attention to the education of their children that they give to their health, and—shall we say it—*dress*; could not only cause them to be *punctual* but *constant* in their attendance. *We recommend the effort.*

We take this public opportunity to censure the feeling, which seems to exist on the part of some parents and teachers, that if a child comes to school and answers to his name at roll-call, and perhaps stays a few minutes and reads, he can go home and do a half-day's work, and yet keep a clear register. As it is impossible for any one to be in two places at the same time, we believe this course to be untruthful and dishonest. If you must have the work of your child at home, and we believe there are very few cases where the need is absolute, be honest and keep him there, and not make the pretence of sending him to school, when practically he does not go.

We believe our teachers have all been faithful in their duty, so far as they have been able to understand it, the past year. Some schools have been more successful than others; but it is useless for us, in this place, to point out the mistakes or weaknesses of any teacher. The lessons they have to learn must be acquired in the hard school of experience. If any of our teachers think that they know all there is to know about teaching, we have no farther use for them. But we think that we have no teachers of that class. As a class they are eager and anxious to improve. With the limited means at their command, with the limited material with which they have to work, they are quietly and earnestly doing their best.

At the annual town meeting you will be asked to consider the question of the possibility of permanently lessening the number of our schools. In order to save time, and that some definite plan may be before you ; we would respectfully present the following :

1st. That schools Nos 6 and 7 be united and that one of the school houses be moved, to some site on the west side of West Rutland village, to be used for the united schools.

2d. That No. 3 be united with No. 2.

3d. That No. 4 to be united with the centre and No. 2, as most convenient.

4th. That No. 9 be united with the centre and No. 8, as most convenient.

5th. That the unnecessary houses be sold, in order that the concentration may be regarded as final.

The expense for books has been large ; it is probable that the reason for this is, that many who last year brought their own books to school have this year neglected to do so, and consequently a large proportion of the pupils in our schools have required a full equipment.

In brief, we make the following recommendations. 1st, That a graded school be established at the Centre. 2d, That there be five outside schools. 3d, That the sum of \$1400.00 be raised for their support.

SCHOOL STATISTICS FOR 1885-6.

Number of pupils enrolled in School Registers,	232
Number between five and fifteen,	191
Number between eight and fourteen,	127
Number over fifteen,	37
Number under five,	4
Number of non-residents,	5
Number of minors in Town May 1st, 1885, between the years of five and fifteen,	175
Between eight and fourteen,	127

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation,.....	\$1200 00	
State Fund,	211 17	
Part of Dog Fund,.....	71 57	
Tuition due from Non-residents,	19 00	
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		\$1501 74

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' Salaries for current year,.....	\$1435 00	
Fuel and Janitors,	128 62	
Books and supplies,	270 74	
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		\$1834 36

CONTINGENT.

Arrears,.....	\$191 09	
Furniture,.....	95 50	
Repairs,.....	26 32	
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		\$312 91

SUMMER TERM.

SCHOOLS.	No of Weeks.	Whole number of Pupils.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Cases of Tardiness.	No. not Tardy or Absent.	Wages of Teacher per Month.	No. of Visitors.
Centre Primary...	12	39	36.66	34.73	2	17	\$40	12
No. 1,	12	21	19.	16.66	43	1	22	8
No. 2,	12	12	12.	11.52	26	3	22	17
No. 3,							20	
No. 5,	12	26	24.58	23.38	15	12	24	11
No. 6,	12	20	16.26	13.18	21	5	22	6
No. 7,	12	13	10.66	9.37	1	4	24	6
No. 8,	12	19	18.83	17.07	9	4	22	14
No. 9,	12	12	12.	11.58	7	8	22	10
Centre Grammar, Fall,	12	31	27.66	24.86	12	4	40	25

WINTER TERM.

Centre Primary, .	12	38	36.	33.87	2	17	\$40	16
No. 1,	12	29	26.33	23.	68	2	24	5
No. 2,	12	16	14.88	14.6	6	7	24	6
No. 3,	12	8	6.20	6.09	17	2	24	9
No. 5,	12	34	29.36	23.94	121	2	24	6
No. 6,	14	21	17.75	17.43	2	4	26	3
No. 7,	12	15	13.22	10.97	25	1	24	12
No. 8,	12	23	18.47	16.03	17	3	30	4

NAMES OF TEACHERS, WAGES, &c.

SCHOOLS.	TERMS.	TEACHERS.	Amount of Wages.	Cost of Fuel and Janitors.	Amount paid for Repairs.
Centre Primary,	} Summer,	Marcia P. Hill,	\$120.	\$32.00	\$5.23
	} Fall,	Marcia P. Hill,	120.		
No. 1,	.... Summer,	Millie F. Stackpole,	66.	16.50	.40
	.... Winter,	Millie F. Stackpole,	72.		
No. 2,	.... Summer,	Abbie L. Brooks,	66.	17.50	.20
	.... Winter,	Jennie E. Gates,	72.		
No. 3,	.... Summer,	Hattie E. Sargent,	60.	4.50	
	.... Winter,	Ina A. Potter,	72.		
No. 5,	.... Summer,	Ava S. Bigelow,	72.	14.00	18.99
	.... Winter,	Frances I. Putnam,	72.		
No. 6,	.... Summer,	Elfleda M. Brown,	66.	19.12	1.50
	.... Winter,	Alice M. Pratt,	91.		
No. 7,	.... Summer,	Alice M. Pratt,	72.	3.50	
	.... Winter,	Abbie L. Brooks.	72.		
No. 8,	.... Summer,	Jennie E. Gates,	66.	19.75	
	.... Winter,	Walter A. Hunter,	90.		
No. 9,	.... Summer,	Nellie G. Spaulding,	66.	1.75	
Centre Grammar,	} Fall,	Charles L. Burbank	20.		
Total,			1435.	128.62	26.32

ROLL OF HONOR.

Below is a list of those scholars who, by the constancy and punctuality of their attendance, deserve honorable mention. The list is compiled on the basis of excusing one day's non-attendance, and one tardy mark. A star before the name indicates those so excused.

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Lucy C. Dodge,
*Bertie D. Smith,

Henry B. Davis,
*Sumner A. Taylor.

CENTRE PRIMARY.

Summer Term

Lottie E. Browning,
Lucy C. Dodge,
Etta L. Putnam,
Marcia Z. Sherwood,
Mary A. Putnam,
Lizzie M. Putnam.
Leslie F. Armitage,
Myron C. Armstrong,
Bertie D. Bartlett,
Clarence C. Dodge,
Willie M. Demond,
Leroy S. Putnam,
Paul A. Loughman,
Sumner A. Taylor,
George E. Loughman,
Loring J. Taylor,
*Cora B. Eames.

Fall Term.

*Lottie E. Browning,
Sadie F. Bemis,
Carrie L. Pierce,
*Marcia Z. Sherwood,
Lena M. Woodis,
Frank F. Dana,
Wesley B. Putnam,
George B. Woodis,
Bertie D. Bartlett,
*Clarence C. Dodge,
Willie M. Demond,
Leroy S. Putnam,
Arthur G. Dodge,
*James G. Sherwood,
*Sammie F. Moulton,
*Loring J. Taylor,
*Cora B. Eames.

No. 1 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Lizzie M. Stackpole.

Winter Term.

George G. Pierce.
Arthur W. Davis.

No. 2 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Lewis F. Forbush,
Miles E. Griffin,
Nellie E. Griffin.

Winter Term.

Lewis F. Forbush,
Jennie E. Campbell,
George P. Campbell,
*Charles J. Campbell,
*Arthur A. Heald,
*James W. Mellen,
*Mabel E. Heald.

No. 3 SCHOOL.

*Summer Term.**Winter Term.*

Bertie R. Potter,
*Herbert W. Wheeler.

No. 5 SCHOOL.

*Summer Term.**Winter Term.*

Effie M. Wesson,
Vara A. Stearns,
Nettie E. Davis,
May E. Stearns,
Bertha L. Stearns,
Effie E. Goulding,
James A. Cullen,
Lewis E. Moore,
Henry C. Goulding,
George C. Bond,
Ernest W. Bliss,
John F. Cullen.

Bertha L. Stearns,
Edwin H. Spooner.

No. 6 SCHOOL.

*Summer Term.**Winter Term.*

L. May Chamberlin,
May L. Kennan,
Cora B. Chamberlin,
*Dora I. Dudley,
*Cora O. Dudley.

Dora I. Dudley,
Cora O. Dudley,
George H. Rice,
Herbert W. Kennan,

No. 7 SCHOOL.

*Summer Term.**Winter Term.*

Mary G. Reynolds,
Fannie L. Graton,
Edith M. Graton,
Charlie L. Ware.

Louie M. Bacon.

No. 8 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Mary A. Truax,
 *Joseph Bigelow,
 *Leslie Moore,
 *Roland Moore.

Winter Term.

Roland Moore,
 *Leslie Moore,
 Willie E. Brooks.

No. 9 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

J. Henry Woodis,
 Sammie F. Moulton,
 George B. Woodis,
 Helen A. Moulton,

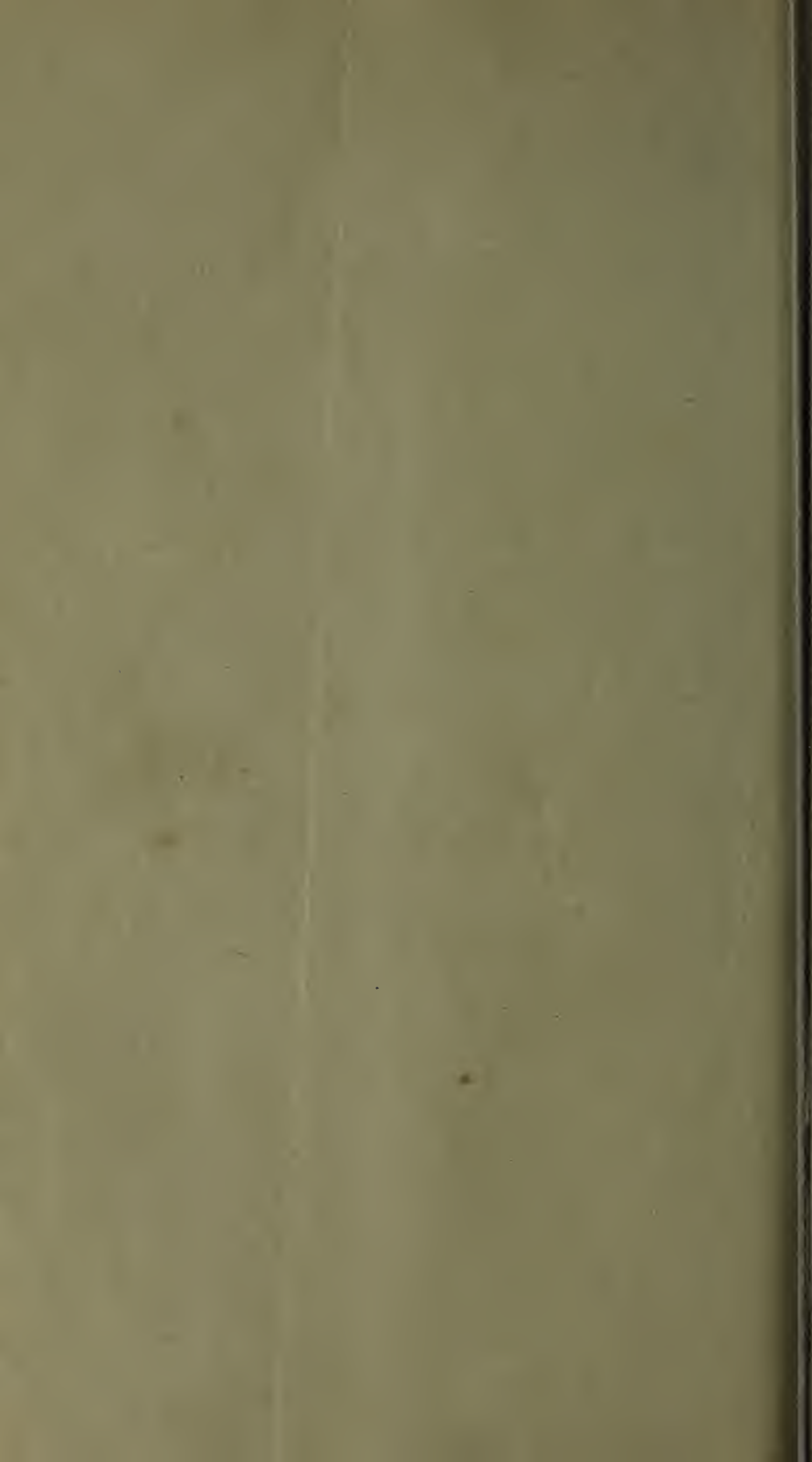
Ella S. Woodis,
 *Emma N. Woodis,
 *Lena M. Woodis,
 *Mercie E. Upham.

Whole number of names on record, 75. Perfect for the year, 20.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. BOYCE,
 W. A. HUNTER,
 LAWTON T. HADLEY,

School Committee.

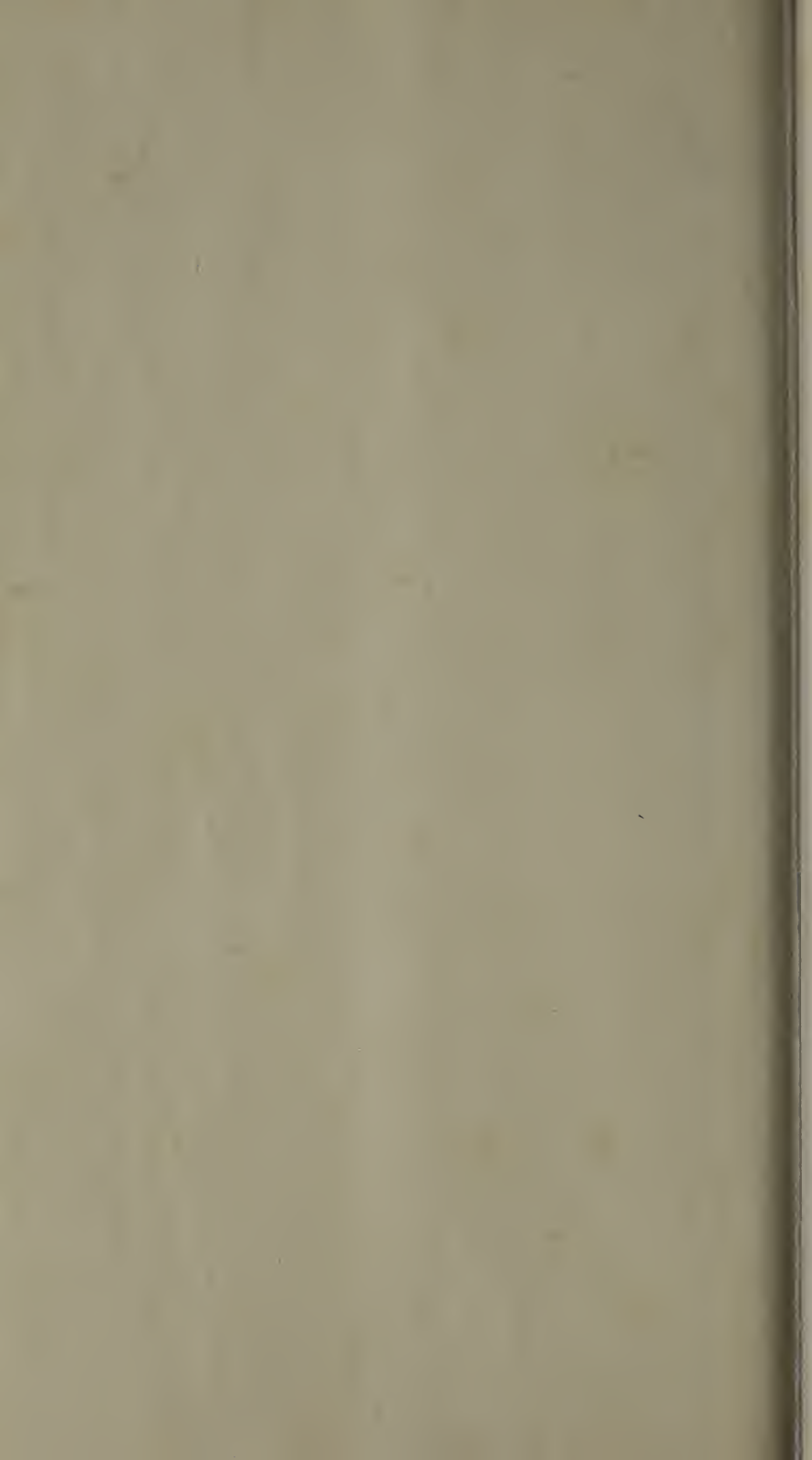


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TOWN OFFICERS:

SELECTMEN,

JOHN W. MONROE, HENRY CONVERSE,
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE.

TOWN CLERK,

GEORGE A PUTNAM.

TREASURER and COLLECTOR,

BENJAMIN F. BROWNING.

OVERSEERS OF POOR,

DAVID F. SMITH, J. MILO SKINNER,
HENRY A. KENNEN.

ROAD COMMISSIONER,

EDWARD C. ALLEN.

CONSTABLES,

BENJAMIN F. BROWNING, DAVID F. SMITH,
GEORGE S. PUTNAM, LAWTON T. HADLEY.

SEXTON,

GEORGE S. PUTNAM.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE,

GEORGE S. DODGE, LAWTON T. HADLEY,
GEORGE A. PUTNAM.

LIBRARIAN,

MRS. FREEMAN R. FOSTER.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, CALEB A. WARE,
M. M. STACKPOLE. BENJAMIN F. BROWNING.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER,

CALEB A. WARE, RUFUS A. SAWYER,
GEORGE A. PUTNAM.

FENCE VIEWERS.

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, FREEMAN R. FOSTER,
CALEB A. WARE.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

As Appraised by the Overseers Feb. 14th, 1887.

Real estate,	\$2,500 00
Farming tools and household furniture,	600 00
Horse,	50 00
Oxen,	150 00
1 pair three-year old steers,	62 50
8 cows and calf,	250 00
2 yearlings,	30 00
1 two-year old bull,	27 00
1 shoat,	11 00
2 hogs,	26 00
50 fowls,	32 00
6 tons English hay,	120 00
2½ tons Meadow hay and straw,	20 00
3½ tons fodder,	55 00
29 bushels corn,	16 00
3 bushels Rye,	3 00
8 bushels Oats,	4 00
4½ bushels Barley,	4 50
Grass seed,	3 00
75 bushels Potatoes,	33 75
Garden vegetables,	25 50
Cider and vinegar,	68 00
Salt pork,	7 50
Lard,	6 06
Butter,	12 69
Tallow and candles,	2 30
Beans and peas,	3 50
Flour,	10 00
Soap and salt,	1 60
Tea, sugar and molasses,	2 00
Spices and creamtartar,	2 00
Lumber,	3 00
Glass, nails and wire,	6 50
Dried apples,	1 20
Fresh beef and hide,	40 00
	-\$4,189 59

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES AT ALMSHOUSE.

Interest on real and personal estate, appraised February 14th, 1886, at 6% on \$4,279.51,	\$256 77
Salary of warden for the year ending April 1, '87,	365 00
Bought flour, meal and crackers,	311 52
Meat and fish,	66 94
Tea, sugar and molasses,	71 87
Spices, creamtartar and soda,	13 11
Cloth, yarn and thread,	25 70
Grinding grain,	5 66
Oil, stove polish, etc.,	5 73
Tin, earthen and glass ware,	11 33
Matches, soap and salt,	14 14
Tobacco and pipes,	15 60
Boots and shoes,	8 15
Paper and brooms,	8 08
Blacksmithing,	15 25
Farming tools and use of same,	16 32
Stock keeping and use of same,	22 00
Grass and other seeds,	17 60
Paris Green, lime and phosphate,	71 41
Labor,	183 00
Repairing buildings,	42 41
Medicines,	5 75
1500 of hay,	12 40
Furniture,	6 00
L. T. Hadley, for creamer,	31 42
Decrease in appraisal of property,	89 92—\$1,693 08

SUMMARY OF INCOME AT ALMSHOUSE.

Sold butter and cream,	\$234 99
Eggs and poultry,	24 63
Vegetables,	44 19
Hay and straw,	19 80
Furniture,	3 00
Grass and other seeds,	5 32
Stock keeping and use of same,	75 80
Meat and fish,	4 97
Flour and meal,	2 00
Board for Davis Browning,	70 20 — \$484 90
Net expenses at farm,	\$1,208 18

Whole numer of weeks board,	513
Cost per week,	\$2 36

The following persons have been supported at the almshouse the past year, ending Feb. 14, 1887.

Michael Croning,	age, 87	52 weeks.	
Lucy Sawyer,	" 75	52	
Asa Lakin,	" 86	52	
Eliza Lakin,	" 83	52	
Davis Browning,	" 82	52	
Mrs. W. O. Smith,	" 59	52	
Asahel Preston,	" 79	22	
Moses Clark,	" 76	40 weeks 3 days.	
Charles Newton,	" 74	32	
Joseph Ware,	" 29	21	
Otis Palmer,	" 63	14	2
R. J. Brooks,	" 75	1	5
Harry F. Leonard,	" 6	52	
Robert Demond,	" 11 months.	10	4
Tramps, (49)		7	
Whole number of weeks,		513	

TOWN ORDERS FOR 1886 AND 1887.

Mar. 10,	Geo. S. Putnam, coffin for Chas. Generoux,	\$11 50
15,	Expense transporting Mrs. C. G. Generoux to Canada,	13 00
April 1,	Clifton Parkhurst, for salary and order,	270 87
3,	Mrs. E. E. Dana, groceries for Mrs. Lyman Wilson,	2 56
6,	Geo S. Putnam, coffin for Lyman Wilson's child,	8 50
6,	Hospital bill,	45 24
May 3,	Mrs. E. E. Dana, for phosphate,	38 33
3,	do do groceries for Mrs Wilson,	2 56
10,	Town of Suvoy for Moses Clark,	17 35
24,	Town of Southborough for the Rice family,	25 50
25,	Wilson & Holden, flour for Mrs. Wilson,	5 50
June 5,	J. T. Lawless, for labor,	25 00
9,	Expenses of Mrs. Henry Strong,	5 00
9,	Mrs. E. E. Dana, for phosphate	9 50
26,	J. T. Lawless, for labor,	30 00
July 5,	L. T. Hadley, for creamer,	31 42
20,	Clifton Parkhurst, for salary,	50 00
20,	Dr. J. G. Shannon, for Myron Allen,	9 00
20,	do do Chas. Generoux,	12 00
20,	do do Mrs. Lyman Wilson's child,	7 50
20,	Hospital bill,	42 45
Aug. 20,	J. T. Lawless, for labor,	20 00

Sep. 22,	J. T. Lawless, for labor,	\$15 00
24,	Dr. J. G. Shannon, for Hermon Bemis,	6 00
24,	A. Hatstat, groceries for Mrs. Wilson,	5 35
Oct. 4,	George S. Putnam, coffin for Willard Woodis,	15 00
Nov 15,	J. T. Lawless, for labor,	15 00
15,	Hospital bill,	42 71
15,	Clifton Parkhurst, salary,	50 00
15,	City of Brockton, for Martin Curran,	116 65
Dec. 29,	Taylor Rogers, for Otis Palmer's board,	8 00
29,	Hospital bill,,	46 31
Jan. 10,	City of Worcester, for Brigham Pierce,	79 00
10,	City of Brockton, for Martin Curran,	9 00
10,	J. A. Pierce, for phosphate,	21 00
10,	A. Hatstat, groceries for Farrington,	8 00
10,	Joseph Davis, groceries for Mrs. Wilson,	5 45
10,	Overseers expenses for counsel, etc.,	9 50
10,	J. T. Lawless, for labor,	43 70
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		\$1,178 45

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Cash received from Town Treasurer, to balance,	\$1,178 45
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Expense of support of Paupers out of the Almshouse.

Paid Lunatic Asylum for W. O. Smith,	\$176,71
Town of Southboro' for E. Rice,	25 50
Dr. J. G. Shannon, for Myron Allen,	9 00
Dr. J. G. Shannon, for Chas. Generoux,	12 00
Dr. J. G. Shannon, for Mrs. Wilson,	7 50
Dr. J. G. Shannon, for Hermon Bemis,	6 00
Geo. S. Putnam, coffin for Chas. Generoux,	11 50
For transporting Mrs. Chas. Generoux,	13 00
Mrs. E. E. Dana, groceries for Mrs. Wilson,	5 12
Groceries for Mrs. Wilson,	10 95
Geo. S. Putnam, coffin for Mrs. Wilson's child,	8 50
Expense of Mrs. Henry Strong,	5 00
Town of Savoy, for Moses Clark,	17 35
Geo. S. Putnam, coffin for Willard Woodis,	15 00
City of Brockton, for Martin Curran family,	125 60
N. T. Rogers, board of O. B. Palmer,	8 00
City of Worcester, for Brigham Pierce,	79 00

A. Hatstatt, for groceries for Farrington,	\$ 8 00	
Dr. H. O. Palmer, for Lyman Clark's boy,	31 15	
	<hr/>	\$574 93
Reimbursed from State,	29 00	
Reimbursed from Hubbardston,	31 15—	60 15
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Making a total of		\$ 514 78
Expenses at Almshouse,		1208 18
Overseers' expenses,		9 50
Overseers' services,		40 50
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Making a total of		\$1772 96

As expense of supporting the Town and other Paupers for the
past year.

Respectfully submitted,

D. F. SMITH,	} Overseers of Poor.
J. MILO SKINNER,	
H. A. KENNON,	

Feb. 16, 1887.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

B. F. BROWNING, TREASURER.

1886.	DR.	
February 15,	Balance in Treasury,	\$4,434 50
27,	Received cash of Wm. Meade estate,	1,000 00
March 4,	Received non-resident school money,	19 00
9,	Received Corporation Tax,	9 82
June 5,	Received of F. R. Foster, interest on taxes of 1884,	25 00
July 5,	Received of Geo. A. Putnam, for grass,	4 00
27,	Received of Worcester County Institution for Savings,	1,000 00
Sept. 21,	Received for Auctioneer's License,	2 00
Dec. 6,	Received Corporation Tax,	5 13
6,	Received National Bank Tax,	48 66
6,	Received State Aid, chap 252, acts 1879,	223 50
6,	Received State Aid, chap. 301, acts 1879,	6 00
6,	Received for State Paupers,	6 00
6,	Received for temporary support of State Paupers.	13 00
6,	Received for burial of State Paupers,	10 00
30,	Received for use of Town Hall,	5 50
1887.		
January. 1,	Received County Dog Fund,	175 16
25,	Received Mass. School Fund,	311 75
25,	Received interest on taxes of 1885,	81 44
25,	Received for new bridge,	170 68
February 15,	Received of Overseers of Poor, board of D. D. Browning,	70 20
15,	Received for old wood shed,	5 00
15,	Received tax bills for 1886,	8,598 76
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		\$16,229 14

1886.	CR.	
March 2,	Paid int. on Mutual Life Assurance note,	\$100 00
2,	Paid int. on Wor. Co. Instut'n for Savings note,	300 00
19,	Paid for Assessors abatement on taxes.	33 60
19,	Paid Geo. W. Cowden's note and interest,	101 34
Sept 2,	Paid interest on Life Assurance note,	100 00
2,	Paid int. on Wor. Co. Instut'n for Savings note,	300 00
Oct. 15,	Paid one-half County Tax,	178 50
Nov. 2,	Paid abatement on taxes,	14 48
3,	Paid note and int. at Wor. Co. Inst'n for Sav.,	1,010 89
Dec. 3,	Paid abatement on taxes,	18 09
3,	Paid one-half County tax,	178 50
6,	Paid State tax,	390 00
1887.		
Feb. 4,	Paid abatement on taxes,	50
4,	Paid 230 orders drawn by the Selectmen,	7,172 19
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		\$9898 09

Balance in treasury Feb. 15, 1887, including tax bills, \$6331 05

Respectfully submitted,

Rutland, February 15, 1887.

B. F. BROWNING, *Treasurer.*

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Rutland :

Your Selectmen respectfully present the following as the financial condition of the Town for the year ending Feb. 15th, 1887.

We have drawn upon the Treasurer during the past year 230 orders, amounting to \$7,172 19.

The appropriations for the Town were as follows :

State Tax,	\$390 00
County Tax,	357 00
Town Grant,	7,800 00
Overlay on Taxes,	51 76

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Worcester Savings Inst'n, note and interest to Feb. 15,	\$15,271 88
State Mutual Life Assurance Co.,	5,090 63
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	\$20,362 51

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

250 Shares in Cent. Mass. R. R. Co.	\$6000 00
Due from State Treasury for State and Military Aid,	282 00
“ in hands of Treasurer,	6331 05
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	\$12,613 05

Leaving a balance against the Town of	\$7,749 46
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Showing a gain in the last twelve months of	\$8,013 55
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1886.

ORDERS PAID.

Apr. 5, No. 1, Michael Gleason, snow,	\$5 21
2, Daniel Leary, snow,	19 00
3, John D. Clair, snow,	7 84
4, Eugene Stone, snow,	2 82
5, Henry Bartlett, snow,	2 25
6, Otis N. Chickering, snow,	9 17
7, E. E. Dana, Overseers,	2 56
8, H. N. Bemis, military aid,	4 00
9, Michael Leary, snow,	7 50

Apr. 5, No. 10,	Daniel R. Wheeler, snow,	\$23 61
	11, Schuyler Prouty, snow,	4 34
	12, S. D. & Merrill Chickering, snow,	1 00
	13, George S. Putnam, Overseers bill,	11 50
	14, E. H. Tripp, printing Town Report for 1885,	36 00
	15, Charles Reid, settees for Town Hall,	26 00
	16, D. F. Smith, transporting State paupers,	13 00
	17, S. D. & M. Chickering, snow bill,	5 66
	18, Adin H. Miles, highway and snow bill,	12 66
	19, L. T. Hadley, supplies and repairs for Schools,	23 21
	20, J. W. Munroe, snow,	3 18
	21, T. Sibley Heald, snow,	3 15
	22, Edward C. Allen, snow,	7 08
	23, John B. Wells, snow,	5 16
	24, B. F. Browning, State aid,	12 00
	25, Henry D. Rice, snow bill,	11 50
	26, B. F. Browning, military aid,	70 00
	27, E. E. Dana, School supplies,	3 17
	28, Walter A. Wheeler, School supplies,	3 35
May 3,	29, George S. Putnam, Sexton bill,	21 60
	30, Schuyler Prouty, Insurance Centre School house,	16 80
	31, Henry Converse, military aid for H. N Bemis 8, Schools 3.45, contingent 1.00,	12 45
	32, Edward E. Allen. highway,	221 01
	33, B. F. Browning, State and military aid,	39 00
	34, E. E. Dana, Overseers bill,	40 89
	35, Charles H. Upham, snow bill,	5 22
	36, Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Overseers bill,	45 24
	37, George S. Putnam, Overseers bill,	8 50
	38, Clifton Parkhurst, Overseers bill,	270 87
	39, Henry A. Davis, sealing weights and measures,	11 30
	40, L. T. Hadley, School supplies,	106 60
	41, L. T. Hadley, School supplies and repairs,	44 17
	42, Walter A. Wheeler, School repairs,	43 84
June 7,	43, E. E. Dana, Overseers bill,	9 50
	44, Wilson D. Holden, Overseers bill,	5 50
	45, E. C. Allen, highway,	300 51
	46, George Tyler, repairs on scraper,	15 50
	47, John T. Lawless, Overseers bill,	25 00
	48, James M. Taylor, snow bill,	18 66
	49, Fairbanks, Brown & Co., weights and measures,	14 90
	50, Town of Savoy, Overseers bill,	17 35
	51, Town of Southbridge, Overseers bill,	25 00
	52, Edward Mellen, snow bill,	3 00
	53, M. M. Stackpole, repairing road machine,	11 50
	54, B. F. Browning, military aid,	35 00
	55, Schuyler Prouty, Insurance on Town House,	24 00
	56, B. F. Browning, State aid,	4 00

July 5, No.	57, Alvin B. Fisher, labor on bridge,	\$22 37
	58, Edmund Muzzy, labor on bridge, .	10 00
	59, Wm. W. Prescott, labor on bridge,	14 00
	60, A. C. Bullard, lumber for bridge,	39 00
	61, D. M. Parker, lumber for bridge,	75 04
	62, Henry Converse, nails,	3 77
	63, Peter O'Connor, work on bridge, 1.50: repairs on scraper, 4.50,	6 00
	64, George Tyler, repairs on scraper,	4 00
	65, Francis Hapgood, School,	5 00
	66, Arthur W. Davis, janitor school No. 1,	2 00
	67, Paul Wheeler, Overseers bill,	5 00
	68, John T. Lawless, Overseers bill,	30 00
	69, George Tyler, repairs on road scraper,	11 50
	70, Vt. Farm Machine Co., Overseers,	31 42
	71, B. F. Browning, military aid,	35 00
	72, Henry Kennen, snow bill,	8 50
	73, L. T. Hadley, School Committee,	14 00
	74, Marcia P. Hill, teaching Centre School,	108 00
	75, Nellie F. Munroe, teaching School No. 5,	88 00
	76, Frances I. Putnam, teaching School No. 8,	86 00
	77, Ina A. Potter, teaching School No. 3,	80 00
	78, Jennie E. Gates, teaching School No. 7,	73 50
	79, Ava S. Bigelow, teaching School No. 2,	72 00
	80, Alice M. Pratt, teaching School No. 6,	72 40
	81, Etta L. Miles, teaching School No. 4,	72 00
	82, Millie F. Stackpole, teaching School No. 1,	72 00
	83, Nellie G. Spaulding, teaching School No. 9,	72 00
	84, Library Committee,	48 00
	85, J. A. Pierce, Overseers bill,	21 00
	86, E. C. Allen, Highway,	461 46
	87, James Sherwood, wood for Schools No. 6 and 7, and Centre,	28 08
	88, Ivory Wales, snow bill,	11 28
Aug. 2,	89, James G. Shannon, Overseers bill,	28 50
	90, Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Overseers bill,	42 45
	91, B. F. Browning, military and State aid,	39 00
	92, E. C. Allen, highway,	101 25
	93, Geo. P. Campbell, janitor bill School No. 2,	2 00
	94, Arthur A. Smith, janitor School No. 4,	2 30
	95, Ella S. Woodis, janitor School No. 9,	1 50
	96, Clifton Parkhurst, Overseers bill,	50 00
	97, Walter H. Bartlett, snow bill,	4 00
	98, E. C. Allen, highway,	118 46
Sept. 6,	99, D. M. Parker, lumber for wood house,	25 23
	100, Zebulon Strong, snow bill,	4 65
	101, Ebenezer Wellington, Sexton bill,	6 00
	102, B. F. Browning, military and State aid,	39 00

Sep. 6, No.	103, John T. Lawless, Overseers bill,	\$20 00
	104, Mrs. F. R. Foster, Librarian,	26 00
	105, E. H. Tripp, printing Valuation report,	25 00
	106, Geo. S. Putnam, Assessors bill,	28 75
	107, Loring J. Taylor, janitor Centre school,	2 00
	108, Joseph Miles, wood for School No. 4,	9 50
	109, B. F. Browning, materials for wood house,	75 12
	110, Edmund Muzzy, labor on wood house,	20 00
	111, Geo. W. Hudson, labor on wood house,	20 00
	112, Ivory Wales, labor on wood house,	2 50
Oct. 4,	113, E. C. Allen, highway,	181 39
	114, Louis M. Hanff, painting guide boards,	1 55
	115, Alfred Hatstat, Overseers bill,	5 35
	116, Fred. S. Hunt, Assessors bill,	41 85
	117, Geo. P. Browning, cutting wood for Schools No. 6 and 7,	6 25
	118, Geo. S. Putnam, Overseers bill	15 00
	119, Henry Moore, wood for School No. 8	9 00
	120, Henry Moore, snow bill	7 17
	121, B. F. Browning, military and State aid	38 00
	122, Henry Converse, material for wood house	6 27
	123, Sanford & Co., School supplies	3 13
Nov. 1,	124, E. C. Allen, highway	106 95
	125, Orrin Pierce, snow bill	1 08
	126, Joseph Davis, snow bill	13 58
	127, D. R. Wheeler, snow bill	23 42
	128, Duncan, Goodell & Co., door hinges for Town house	4 20
	129, Elbridge Acker, damage on wagon	3 00
	130, James S. Kennen, Overseers bill	5 00
	131, B. F. Browning, military and State aid	33 00
	132, Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Overseers bill	42 71
	133, John T. Lawless, Overseers bill	15 00
	134, D. & C. P. Stevens & Co., door for Town house	5 50
	135, F. R. Foster, Assessors bill	39 33
	136, James G. Shannon, Overseers bill	6 00
Dec. 6,	137, Alonzo Davis, Assessor for 1885	19 00
	138, C. R. Bartlett, Assessor for 1885	7 00
	139, C. R. Bartlett, School repairs	3 05
	140, Boston School Supply Co., supplies	53 24
	141, Sanford & Co., School supplies	2 00
	142, Dennis O'Herron, snow bill	7 00
	143, John N. Sargent, snow bill	32 37
	144, E. C. Allen, highway	34 25
	145, Wm. Hammond, snow bill	1 57
	146, Geo. S. Putnam, Sexton bill	21 50
	147, Peter O'Connor, repairs on scraper 4.00; work on wood house 1.50	5 50
	148, Louis M. Hanff, School house repairs in Nos. 8 and 9	3 75
	149, G. R. N. Sargent, wood for School No. 5	10 00

Dec. 6, No. 150, John T. Lawless, Overseers bill	\$15 00
151, B. F. Browning, military and State aid	32 00

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Jan. 3,	152, T. Sibley Heald, Assessors bill for 1885	5 00
	153, E. C. Allen, highway	4 30
	154, Hugh Hammond, snow bill	6 50
	156, Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Overseers' bill	46 31
	156, Clifton Parkhurst, Overseers bill	50 00
	157, N. T. Rogers, Overseers bill	8 00
	158, City of Brocton, Overseers bill	116 65
	159, Mary L. Amidon, School No. 3	74 00
	160, Frances I. Putnam, teaching School No. 4	84 00
	161, Etta M. Miles, teaching School No. 4, \$78.00, Janitor \$2.75,	80 75
	162, Nellie M. Spaulding, teaching School No. 9	78 00
	163, Mercia P. Hill, teaching Centre School	108 00
	164, Loring J. Taylor, Janitor Centre School	2 50
	165, B. F. Browning, Military and State Aid	44 00
Feb. 7,	166, Geo. W. Hudson, work on highway and hanging hall door	2 91
	167, Abel Baker, tolling bell	1 00
	168, Adin H. Miles, snow bill	49 45
	169, Benj. F. Strong, snow bill	15 15
	170, Mrs. E. E. Dana, School supplies	5 47
	171, Chester Armstrong, snow bill	12 06
	172, Hugh Hammond, snow bill	16 75
	173, Samuel C. Green, snow bill	19 24
	174, E. C. Allen, snow bill	11 66
	175, Geo. E. Bigelow, snow bill	6 91
	176, Elijah Goulding, snow bill	52 50
	177, Henry B. Davis, sawing and getting in wood, Centre School,	5 00
	178, L. T. Hadley, School Committee	9 00
	179, L. T. Hadley, Janitors bill	4 35
	180, Mrs. F. R. Foster, Librarian	26 00
	181, City of Brocton, Overseers bill	9 00
	182, Geo. W. Homer, snow bill	1 24
	183, City of Worcester, Overseers bill	79 00
	184, B. F. Browning, Military and State Aid	44 00
	185, Ebenezer Wellington, Sextons bill	4 50
	186, Leslie Moore, Janitor bill. School No. 8	2 00
	187, Ella S. Woodis, Janitors bill, School No. 9	2 00
	188, Ella C. Ball, teaching School No. 7	78 00
	189, Cora E. Clark, teaching School No. 1	78 00
	190, W. A. Wheeler, teaching Center School, \$150, Janitor \$3,	153 00
	191, L. J. Andrews, teaching School No. 5	91 00
	192, M. A. Leamy, teaching School No. 1	78 00
	193, Alice M. Pratt, teaching School No. 6	84 00
	194, Daniel McCarthy, snow bill	10 32

Feb. 8, No. 195,	Schuyler Prouty, snow bill	\$ 4 82
	196, B. F. Browning, collecting taxes	100 00
	197, B. F. Browning, Constable	8 00
14,	198, Geo. A. Putnam, Town Clerk, Registrar, &c	36 80
	199, Geo. S. Putnam, Sexton	9 00
15,	200, B. F. Browning, Military Aid	8 00
	201, Wm. Conner, snow bill	1 67
	202, John W. Munroe, snow bill	11 83
	203, Amory T. Davis, snow bill	3 33
	204, John W. Munroe, Sarah J. Cowden case	8 00
	205, Alfred Hatstat, Overseers	8 00
	206, Joseph Davis, Overseers	5 45
	207, David F. Smith, Council and expenses on Mundell case,	9 50
	208, John W. Munroe, four guide boards	6 00
	209, John W. Munroe, services as Selectman	26 00
	210, John W. Munroe, expenses, stationery, &c.	2 44
	211, Henry Converse, services as Selectman	25 00
	212, Wm. C. Temple, services as Selectman	20 00
	213, Clinton W. Putnam, snow bill	1 75
	214, Boston School Supply Co., School supplies	11 30
	215, Sanford & Co., School supplies	7 50
	216, Charles R. Bartlett, School Committee	35 00
	217, Charles R. Bartlett, School supplies and expenses	10 20
	218, Charles R. Bartlett, snow bill,	87
	219, Walter A. Wheeler, School Committee	40 00
	220, Joseph Davis, wood and school repairs for No. 1	2 70
	221, Ivory Wales, snow bill	26 33
	222, Ivory Wales, snow bill	17 66
	223, Wm. H. Barr, snow bill	2 67
	224, M. R. Moulton, counsel on assessment of taxes	5 00
	225, Walter C. Boyce, snow bill	22 50
	226, Era C. Dudley, snow bill	13 16
	227, Henry D. Rice, snow bill	11 66
	228, David F. Smith, Overseers bill	24 50
	229, J. Milo Skinner, Overseers bill	12 00
	230, Henry A. Kennen, Overseers bill	4 00

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

Paid John W. Munroe,	\$26 00
Henry Converse,	25 00
Wm. C. Temple,	20 00—\$71 00

TOWN CLERK.

Paid George A. Putnam,	\$35 80
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ASSESSORS.

Paid Fred. S. Hunt,	\$41 85
Freeman R. Foster,	39 33
George S. Putnam,	28 75—109 93

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid David F. Smith,	24 50
J. Milo Skinner,	12 00
Henry A. Kennen,	4 00
James S. Kennen,	5 00— 45 50

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Walter A. Wheeler,	40 00
Lawton T. Hadley,	23 00
Charles R. Bartlett,	35 00— 98 00

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid Benjamin F. Browning,	100 00
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CONSTABLE.

Paid Benjamin F. Browning,	8 00
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SEXTONS.

Paid George S. Putnam,	51 00
Ebenezer Wellington,	10 50— 61 50

LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. Freeman R. Foster,	52 00
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CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid E. H. Tripp, printing Town Reports,	\$36 00
Charles Reid, Settees for Town Hall,	26 00
George S. Putnam, repairs on hearse,	1 10
Schuyler Prouty, Insurance of Centre School house,	16 80
Henry Converse, grass seed for Common,	1 00
H. A. Davis, sealing Weights and Measures,	11 30
George Tyler, repairs on Road machine,	31 00
Fairbanks, Brown & Co., Weights and Measures,	14 90
M. M. Stackpole, repairing Road machine,	11 50
Schuyler Prouty, Insurance of Town House,	24 00
For Bridge over Railroad at Channock hill,	170 68
Refunded by the Mass. Cent. Railroad Co.	
Peter O'Connor, repairing Road machine,	4 50
E. H. Tripp, printing Valuation Report,	25 00

Paid For wood house at Centre School,	\$150 62
Louis M. Hanff, painting Guide Boards,	1 55
Duncan, Goodell & Co., door hinges,	4 20
Elbridge Acker, damage to wagon,	3 00
D. & C. P. Stevens, door for Town House,	5 50
Peter O'Connor, repairing Road machine,	4 00
George W. Hudson, hanging door for Town Hall,	2 00
George W. Hudson, labor on highway,	91
Abel Baker, tolling bell,	1 00
George A. Putnam, Guide Board,	1 00
John W. Munroe, time and expenses in Sarah J. Cow-	
den case,	8 00
David F. Smith, expenses in Mundell case,	9 50
John W. Munroe, Guide Boards,	6 00
John W. Munroe, expenses, stationery, &c.,	2 44
M. R. Moulton, counsel in regard to taxes,	5 00

 \$578 50

Less expense of Bridge, 170 68

Total Contingent Expenses, \$407 82

MILITARY AID, under Chap. 252 Public Statutes.

Willard S. Woodis,			\$200 00
Roswell Bemis,	10 Battery,	\$10 per month,	120 00
Herman N. Bemis,	10 Battery,	4 " "	12 00
Samuel C. Green,	51 Regiment,	6 " "	24 00
Elbridge Lane,	13 " musician,	8 " "	32 00
Brigham Pierce,	42 " Co. K.	8 " "	16 00

 \$404 00

One half of which is reimbursed by the State.

STATE AID, under Chap. 301 Public Statutes.

Albert Rogers,	\$4 per month,	\$16 00
Eliza J. Rogers,	4 " "	32 00
Sarah S. Woodis,	4 " "	16 00
Durenda Childs,	4 " "	16 00

 \$80 00

All of which is reimbursed by the State.

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

L. T. Hadley, supplies,	\$18 86
L. T. Hadley, repairs,	4 25
E. E. Dana, supplies,	3 17

W. A. Wheeler, supplies.	\$ 3 35
School House No. 8, repairs,	3 45
L. T. Hadley, supplies,	106 60
L. T. Hadley, supplies,	1 98
L. T. Hadley, repairs,	42 19
W. A. Wheeler, repairs,	43 84
Francis Hapgood, School No. 8,	5 00
Arthur W. Davis, Janitor No. 1,	2 00
Marcia P. Hill, Teacher Center school,	108 00
Nellie F. Munroe, Teacher No. 5,	88 00
Frances I. Putnam, Teacher No. 8,	84 00
Frances I. Putnam, Janitor No. 8,	2 00
Ina A. Potter, Teacher No. 3,	78 00
Ina A. Potter, Janitor No. 3,	2 00
Jennie E. Gates, Teacher No. 7,	72 00
Jennie E. Gates, Janitor No. 7,	1 50
Ava S. Bigelow, Teacher No. 2,	72 00
Alice M. Pratt, Teacher No. 6,	72 00
Alice M. Pratt, supplies No. 6,	40
Etta L. Miles, Teacher No. 4,	72 00
Millie F. Stacpole, Teacher No. 1,	72 00
Nellie G. Spaulding, Teacher No. 9,	72 00
James Sherwood, wood for Nos. 6 and 7,	28 08
Geo. T. Campbell, Janitor No. 2,	2 00
Arthur A. Smith, Janitor No. 4,	2 30
Ella S. Woodis, Janitor No. 9,	1 50
Loring J. Taylor, Janitor Centre,	2 00
Joseph Miles, wood for No. 4,	9 50
Geo. P. Browning, cutting wood No. 6 and 7,	6 25
Henry Moore, wood for No. 8,	9 00
Sanford & Co., supplies,	3 13
Charles R. Bartlett, repairs,	3 05
Boston School Supply Co., supplies,	53 24
Sanford & Co., supplies,	2 00
L. M. Hanff, repairs No. 8 and 9,	3 75
G. R. N. Sargent, wood No. 5,	10 00
Mary L. Amidon, Teacher No. 3,	74 00
Frances I. Putnam, Teacher No. 8,	84 00
Etta L. Miles, Teacher No. 4,	78 00
Etta L. Miles, Teacher No. 4,	2 50
Nellie G. Spaulding, Teacher No. 9,	78 00
Marcia P. Hill, Teacher Centre,	108 00
Loring J. Taylor, Janitor Centre,	2 50
E. E. Dana, supplies,	5 47
Henry B. Davis, cutting wood, Centre,	5 00
L. T. Hadley, Janitor,	4 35
Leslie Moore, Janitor No. 8,	2 00

Ella S. Woodis, Janitor No. 9,	2 00
Ella C. Ball, Teacher No. 7,	78 00
Cora E. Clark, Teacher No. 1,	78 00
Walter A. Wheeler, Teacher, Centre,	150 00
Walter A. Wheeler, Janitor Centre,	3 00
L. J. Andrews, Teacher No. 5,	91 00
M. A. Leamy, Teacher No. 2,	78 00
Alice M. Pratt, Teacher No. 6,	84 00
Boston School Supply Co., supplies,	11 30
Sanford & Co., supplies,	7 58
C. R. Bartlett, expenses and supplies,	10 20
Joseph Davis, repairs and supplies,	2 70
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RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Clerk,	\$35 80
Selectmen,	71 00
Assessors,	109 93
Overseers of Poor,	45 50
School Committee,	98 00
Collector and Treasurer,	100 00
Constable,	8 00
Sextons,	61 50
Librarian,	52 00
Breaking Roads,	591 79
Repairing Roads,	1531 16
State Aid,	80 00
Military Aid,	404 00
Schools and School Contingent,	2206 26
Overseers Orders,	1124 75
Contingent Expenses,	573 50
Library Committee,	48 00
Assessors' bill for 1885,	31 00
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List of Jurors as presented by Selectmen for the ensuing year:

WALTER H. BARTLETT,	GEORGE W. COWDEN,
STEPHEN W. FAY,	GEORGE W. HUDSON,
ELIJAH GOULDING,	LAWTON T. HADLEY,
FRED S. HUNT,	WALTER A. WHEELER,
DENNIS O'HERRON,	GEORGE W. HOMER,
HENRY KENNEN,	PAUL WHEELER,
STEPHEN P. ALLEN,	H. EDWARD WHEELER,
CHARLES R. BARTLETT,	ERA C. DUDLEY.

GUIDE POSTS.

In obedience to the laws of the Commonwealth, we report in regard to Guide Posts, that they are erected in the following places :

One near E. C. Dudley's. Two at the junction of the roads leading from Barre to Paxton. One near Miles Holden's. Two near the Centre P. O. One near the Muschopogue House. Two near D. W. Fletcher's. One near Walter H. Bartlett's. One near Benj. Allen's. Two near Alfred Hatstat's. One near No. 1 School house. One near the John C. Greenleaf place. One near D. R. Wheeler's. Two near M. M. Smith's. One near the New Boston Mills. Two near Erastus Dean place. One near Charles E. Reid's. One near Daniel Nyhan's. One near Charles R. Bartlett's place. One near Addison Childs.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. MUNROE,
HENRY CONVERSE,
WM. C. TEMPLE.

Selectmen of Rutland.

RUTLAND, Feb. 15, 1887.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

TO THE SELECTMEN OF RUTLAND :

The sum of fifteen hundred dollars was appropriated by the Town for the repairs of roads and bridges. I submit bills in detail of expenditure.

In the month of April,	\$221 01
“ “ May,	300 51
“ “ June,	461 46
“ “ July,	101 25
“ “ August,	118 46
“ “ September,	181 39
“ “ October,	106 95
“ “ November,	34 25
“ “ December,	5 88
	————— \$1,531 16

Repairs have been made the past year upon all of the roads, and where any general use was made, to have them in as good condition as might be reasonably expected when the amount of appropriation and the number of miles of road is taken into consideration. There are yet remaining some number of miles of road where no great improvement can be made without quite a large outlay. Your attention has been called to some of them in former report in regard to continuing them as highways.

There is a matter concerning our highways which is important, and in which the surveyor, in his limitations, can do but little. That is the subject of shade trees. The custom prevails that where parties owning woodland adjoining the highways and selling the same, or causing the same to be cut, include that which is within the limits of the highway, thereby depriving our roads of much of their attraction. It would seem that the Town might guard against this by pruning such trees as are suitable for shade and ornamental purposes, thereby taking possession of the same. In this connection, I would like to refer to a particular tree, though it be out of my limits, and possibly out of the towns' jurisdiction. I refer to the old elm, that grand old elm, which stands near the house of Henry Moore. Some measures should be taken by individuals in the town to lengthen out the days of this grand tree. It is in need of support of bands of iron and shores to preserve it. The owner, Henry Moore, would gladly co-operate with any one for its protection. For more than a century of time has this grand tree swelled out through its branches loud anthems of rejoicing in our days of triumph, and in our days of adversity, has chanted forth through its leafy and leaffull branches, sweeter music than can be played by any instrument made by the hand of man. It would seem proper that measures might be devised for its protection, and send it down to its second century of life.

It seems desirable that a building should be erected for the housing of the road machines and tools of the town, or some other provision made for the care of the same.

The condition of the highways of the town the past year, it may not be becoming in me to speak, so I will only call to your notice, that measures are now before the legislature, compelling towns to elect a Highway Commission to look after their roads, and in one of the arguments at the hearings, was cited the town of Rutland for its great improvement in roads since the new system was adopted.

Proper or improper, I cannot close this report without calling to your attention the small amount of your appropriation, (fifteen hundred dollars), for nearly one hundred miles of road.

Annexed are the snow bills as paid by the Treasurer, by me approved :

SNOW BILLS.

Michael Gleason,	\$ 5 32	Denis O'Herron,	\$ 7 00
Daniel Leary,	19 00	John N. Sargent,	32 37
John D. Clair,	7 84	William Hammond,	1 57
Eugene Stow,	2 82	Hugh Hammond,	6 50
Henry Bartlett,	2 25	Aden H. Miles.	49 45
Otis N. Chickering,	9 17	B. F. Strong,	15 15
Michael Leary,	7 50	Chester Armstrong,	12 66
D. R. Wheeler,	23 61	Hugh Hammond,	16 75
Schuyler Prouty,	4 34	Samuel C. Green,	19 24
S. D. & M. Chickering,	1 00	E. C. Allen,	11 66
S. D. & M. Chickering,	5 66	George E. Bigelow,	6 91
Aden Miles,	11 08	E. Goulding,	52 50
John Munroe,	3 18	George W. Homer,	1 24
T. S. Heald,	3 15	Daniel McCarty,	10 32
E. C. Allen,	7 08	Schuyler Prouty,	4 82
John B. Wells,	5 16	Henry Kennon,	8 50
Henry D. Rice,	11 50	D. F. Putnam,	1 00
Charles H. Upham,	5 22	C. M. Putnam,	75
J. M. Taylor,	18 66	Amory T. Davis,	3 33
Edward Mellen,	3 00	John W. Munroe,	11 83
Ivory Wales,	11 28	William Conner,	1 67
Walter H. Bartlett,	4 00	C. R. Bartlett,	87
Zebulon Strong,	4 65	Ivory Wales,	43 99
Henry Moore,	7 17	William H. Barr,	2 67
Orin Pierce,	1 08.	Walter C. Boyce,	22 50
Joseh Davis,	13 58	E. C. Dudley,	13 16
D. R. Wheeler,	23 42	Henry D. Rice,	11 66
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		\$591 74	

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD C. ALLEN.

Committee of the Free Public Library
OF RUTLAND.

GENTLEMEN :

The following is the financial account of the Library for the past year,—

Appropriation by the Town,	\$100 00
Amount of fines for keeping books over time,	2 95
	<u>-----</u> \$102 95

EXPENDED.

Paid balance due from last year,	50	
Salary of the Librarian,	52	00
for forty-four new books,	43	75
express and postage on same,	50	
for re-binding twenty-five books,	5	40
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Balance of fines in hands of Librarian,	80
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The titles of the new books are as follows :

No.		Page.
1313,	Theory and practice of Teaching,	Holbrook.
1314,	School Management,	Knox.
1315,	The Boy Travelers in South America,	C. C. Coffin.
1316,	The Boys of '76,	Mrs. Custer.
1317,	Life of Gen. George A. Custer,	C. Reade.
1318,	Boots and Saddles,	
1319,	Never too late to Mend,	
1320,	Hist. of the People of the United States, vol. 1,	McMasters.
1321,	" " " " " " " " "	vol. 2, "
1322,	The Rise of Silas Lapham,	W. D. Howells.
1323,	Bonnyborough,	Mrs. Whitney.
1324,	A Mortal Antipathy,	O. W. Holmes.
1325,	Ramona,	H. H.
1326,	Mr. Isaacs,	F. M. Crawford.
1327,	A Roman Singer,	" "
1328,	Stories by American Authors,	vol. 1,
1329,	" " " " "	" 2,
1330,	" " " " "	" 3,
1331,	" " " " "	" 4,
1332,	" " " " "	" 5,
1333,	" " " " "	" 6,

No. 1334,	Unknown to History,	C. M. Younge.
1335,	American Commonwealths, Virginia.	
1336,	" " Kansas.	
1337,	" " Oregon.	
1338,	" " Kentucky.	
1339,	The Prophet of the Great Smoky Mountain,	Charles E. Craddock.
1340,	In the Tennessee Mountains,	" "
1341,	A Marsh Island,	S. O. Jewett.
1342,	A Country Doctor,	" "
1343,	Dr. Breen's Practice,	Phelps.
1344,	Neighbor Jackwood,	Trowbridge.
1345,	The Silent South,	G. W. Cable.
1346,	Madam Delphine,	" "
1347,	Nights with Uncle Remus,	J. C. Harris.
1348,	The Mill on the Floss,	Geo. Elliot.
1349,	In War Time,	S. W. Mitchell.
1350,	About People,	Kate G. Wells.
1351,	Ten Boys that lived on the Road from long ago till now,	Jane Andrews.
1352,	John of Barnvlett, vol. 1,	J. L. Motley.
1353,	" " " 2,	" "
1354,	Sketches of Creation,	Alex. Winchell.
1355,	Personal Memoirs of Gen. U. S. Grant, vol. 1.	
1356,	" " " " " 2.	

There have also been sent to the Library,

The Manual for the General Court for 1886,
Several Circulars of Information of the Board of Education.
Memorial of Stephen Nye Gifford, Clerk of the Mass. Senate from January 6, 1858 to April 18, 1886.

Number of Books taken out for the past year, ' 2034.

Your Committee would respectfully remind a few of the readers of the Library Books, of their thoughtlessness, and perhaps carelessness, in defacing and injuring them, by turning down the corners of the leaves, handling them roughly, and letting them get dirty. We think it would be well for each one to read the Rules on the inside of the cover often.

We would recommend the appropriation of the Dog fund each year for the maintenance and increase of the Library; thinking that it is a means of education, scarcely less than our schools, if constantly used.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE S. DODGE,
LAWTON T. HADLEY, } *Library*
GEORGE A. PUTNAM, } *Committee.*

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The Following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for 1886.

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE BIRTH.
Liscetta Frances Chamberlin,	Ahira L. & Liscetta E. Chamberlin,	Jan. 22, 1886.
Walter Francis McRobie,	Peter and Alice McRobie.	" 31, "
King,	Olyme and Eleanor A. King,	Feb. 16, "
Robert Demond.	Ellen B. Demond.	Mar. 6, "
Joseph Daniel Peleguin,	Adelord and Mary L. Peleguin.	" 19, "
Bertha Marancy Valley,	Joseph M. and Marancy A. Valley.	" 26, "
Edith Eliza Forbes,	Walter H. and Eliza D. Forbes,	Apr. 18, "
William Harrold Graton,	John F. and Sylvia C. Graton,	May 13, "
Henry Reno Kennen,	Henry A. and Eunice A. Kennen,	" 28, "
Will Edward Allen,	Edward C. and Mary A. Allen,	June 9, "
Lura Beckley Armstrong,	Chester and Amelia K. Armstrong,	" 18, "
Lora Charter Armstrong,	Chester and Amelia K. Armstrong,	" 18, "
Nellie Oella Moulton,	J. Warren and May Belle Moulton,	" 30, "
Ethel Vida Dana,	Charles H. and Bertha M. Dana,	Aug. 16, "
James Lucius Hatstat,	Alvin S. and Mary M. Hatstat,	" 22, "
Gertie Lillian Allen,	Walter F. and Nellie J. Allen,	Sep. 22, "
Perley Nelson Hatstat,	Charles A. and Minnie E. Hatstat,	" 30, "
Willie Walton Handy,	Warren H. and Mary C. Handy,	Oct. 29, "
Everett Fales Bryant,	Frank L. and Sarah E. Bryant,	" 30, "

MARRIAGES.

Jan. 7, 1886,	Charles H. Dana of Rutland and Bertha M. Huse of Morris-town, Vt.
April 18, "	James S. Kennen and Mary Kingsbury, both of Rutland.
" 21, "	Mason S. Dean and Julia M. Marsh both of Oakham.
May 3, "	J. Warren Moulton and May Belle Taylor, both of Rutland,
" 13, "	William J. Hunt and Ida L. Foster, both of Rutland.
" 30, "	Charles A. Homer and Susie H. Ham, both of Worcester.
July 29, "	Elmer A. Churchill and Eudora F. Browning, both of North Brookfield.
Sept. 1, "	Samuel C. Cochran and Mattie J. Dean, both of Oakham.
" 5, "	Harlow S. Chickering, and Alice A. Cummings, both Rutland.
Oct. 7, "	Newton I. Sargent and Margaret L. Hammond, both Rutland.
" 13, "	Andrew J. Brown and Nellie M. Bond, both of Rutland.
" 23, "	Albert Olinquist and Carrie Rainville, both of Holden.
Nov. 2, "	Robert W. Lewis, of New Haven, Ct., and Adelaide J. Healey, of Rutland.
" 3, "	Walter C. Boyce and Ines A. Potter, both of Rutland.
" 17, "	Joseph W. Estabrook and Mercy R. Wellington, both of Fitchburg.

DEATHS.

DATE.	NAMES.	AGE.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
1886.			
Jan. 14,	Lyman Emory Wilson,	34 y. 10 m.	Chronic Peritonitis.
Feb. 4,	Earnest A. Valley,	1 y. 7 m.	1 d. Scarletina & con. of lungs
Feb. 13,	Henry Wetherbee,	74 y. 3 m.	6 d. Old age.
Mar. 7,	Charles Generoux,	30 y.	Bronchitis.
Mar. 28,	Emmia Frances Sargent,	20 y. 3 m.	13 d. Heart disease.
Apr. 3,	Grace Lawrence Wilson,	1 y. 11 m.	27 d. Meningitis.
Apr. 28,	Alonzo Davis,	70 y. 4 m.	18 d.
May 10,	Albert Rogers,	62 y. 4 m.	7 d. Chronic disease of urinary organs.
May 2,	Amelia Larcome,	4 m.	25 d. Consumption.
July 17,	Nellie Oella Moulton,		16 d. Congestion of Brain.
Sept. 14,	Margaret T. O'Herron,	2 y. 11 m.	20 d. Cholera infantum.
Sept. 26,	Willard S. Woodis,	59 y. 7 m.	14 d. Slow paralysis.
Oct. 16,	Walter Harrison Forbes,	35 y. 2 m.	12 d. Consumption.
Oct. 27,	Asa Freeman Brooks,	79 y. 6 m.	22 d. Pneumonia.
Nov. 14,	Girtie Lillian Allen.	1 m.	23 d. Bronchitis.
Nov. 22,	Erastus Dean,	86 y. 11 m.	9 d. Old age.
Dec. 11,	Geo. Augustus Howe,	63 y. 8 m.	18 d. Paralysis.

The following named person, a former resident
of the town, was brought here and buried:

April 13, Mrs. Julia S. Smith, 83 y. 21 d. Paralysis,

The number of dogs licensed in 1886 was

90 male dogs @ \$2 00.	\$180 00
7 female dogs @ \$5 00,	35 00
	—————\$ 215 00
Fees for registration,	19 40
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Paid County Treasurer,	\$195 60

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, TOWN CLERK.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FELLOW CITIZENS :

With the close of another School year, your Committee respectfully submit their annual report.

Upon entering upon their duties at the beginning of the year, a vacancy occurred in the Board, caused by the resignation of Mr. W. A. Hunter, to whose efficient service we wish at this point to bear willing testimony. Subsequently, at a meeting of the Selectmen and School Committee called for that purpose, Dea. Charles R. Bartlett was elected to fill the vacancy.

Our attention was first directed to the condition of our
SCHOOL HOUSES,

several of which were found to be badly in need of repairs. Such repairs as were necessary were accordingly made upon the houses at Nos. 5, 8 and 9 respectively. In this part of their work your Committee have sought to be as economical as consistent with durability. The expense incurred will be found in the financial table appended to this report.

In compliance with the

VOTE OF THE TOWN

at the last annual town meeting, schools have been held in all our school houses both summer and winter, though in one or two instances, in the judgment of the committee, it would have been wiser to have consolidated, thereby making larger and better schools. Perhaps this is not the time to make radical changes, or to take irrevocable steps, burning our bridges behind us; but would it not be wise for the town to leave (by vote) the matter of number of schools to the discretion of their committee, trusting them to act with regard to the highest good of all?

Your committee understand, of course, that such votes, either permissive or restrictive, do not bind their action, but that under the statute they are left thus free to act regardless of the expressed wish of the town; but we think the cases are exceptional where direct opposition to plans thus indorsed by the town is wise.

It will only be repeating what the public have already become familiar with in all our smaller towns, to say that the education we can give our children costs too much per capita. The reason will be evident when the total membership divided by the number of schools results in an average membership of 22 for each school.

FREQUENT CHANGES OF TEACHERS

necessarily result from such small schools and meagre wages, and your committee, recognizing the fact, have sought by frequent visits to so acquaint themselves with the attainments of the different schools as to be of material service in advising new teachers and laying out the work for the term.

In furtherance of this idea, and also with a view of stimulating careful work and emulation between the various schools and classes, a system of frequent

WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS

has been adopted in all the schools, the results of which are, on the whole, very satisfactory to the committee. Did space allow, it would be interesting and profitable to introduce at this point a sample examination paper with the per cent of the class marked thereon. Such papers are always to be seen in any of our schools after the sixth week of the term. It is evident that these papers furnish a reliable basis for classification of pupils, and the determination of progress or the lack of it.

Also by weekly report cards each parent is informed concerning the work and deportment of his children, and if not satisfactory they open a way at once for explanation or mutual consultation between parents and teachers, which is always desirable.

It is not intended that these reports should take the place of frequent visits to the school by the parents, and we wish here to urge such calls as most salutary in their influence upon the schools, and the best means of obtaining reliable information concerning them.

No person, certainly no parent, ought ever to harshly criticise a school which he has not personally visited.

In all our smaller towns, that

GRADATION OF PUPILS

which exists in the larger towns and cities is not possible, even if it were desirable. But your committee are of the opinion that even in this town a definite course of study might be prepared covering the ground advisable to be gone over by the average pupil in the common schools, upon the successful completion of which by the pupils, certificates properly prepared and signed should be given. The natural effect of such a plan would be to induce the pupil to continue in school after the statute compelling his attendance had lost its force because of his age, and to stimulate parents to the same end. But we shall reckon without our host if we fail to note that any plan, however good in itself, may be of but little use if the teacher be not in sympathy with it, or not amply qualified by nature and education for her work; while even a poor plan may be a success in the hands of a competent and enthusiastic teacher.

And this leads us to remark that in our mind

TEACHERS IN GENERAL

may be divided into three classes; viz.

I. Excellent,—those who possess marked ability to teach, together with enthusiasm arising from love of the work;

II. Good,—those who having less ability, still are zealous in their work, and constantly improving;

III. Indifferent,—those who know less of the principles of teaching, and have no special love for it.

Teachers who belong to the first two classes it is always desirable to retain.

It is an entirely erroneous idea, entertained, however, by many, that education alone makes the teacher, and that lack of success as a teacher necessarily involves reproach. No truth is more patent than that people differ in gifts and adaptation to certain kinds of work. Would *all* our best educated men even make successful lawyers, physicians or merchants? The question answers itself.

As a whole, our teachers have been faithful, the work has proceeded harmoniously, and the results attained warrant us in saying that it has been successfully done.

It is but just to say, that many of our teachers have done work that money alone can not fully recompense.

But is there nothing else, by proper attention to which our schools may be improved? Most assuredly, yes.

Home government, and proper moral influence there; active interest and encouragement in the work of your children; attention that your children are constant and punctual at school; sympathy with and the firm support of the teacher, especially at home;—these and many others so often enumerated in school reports and elsewhere, will be of material aid in making our schools what we all wish to see them,—the best possible.

ONE NEED

which seems to us imperative must not fail of mention. There are no suitable wall maps in our schools, and consequently the work in history and geography is much retarded. Indeed, it is utterly impossible to do good work in either branch without them. The expense of even a limited number will be considerable, but it seems to us false economy to delay their purchase longer.

Finally, Fellow Citizens, we have taken it for granted that you are all as much interested in the welfare of our common schools, “the common educators of the common people,” as your committee can be; that you realize the relation they sustain to our civil government and free institutions, and that you will wisely and liberally provide for their proper maintenance in the coming year.

SCHOOL STATISTICS FOR 1886-7.

No. of pupils enrolled in School Registers,	240
No. between five and fifteen,	203
No. between eight and fourteen,	162
No. over fifteen,	37
No. under five,	1
No. of non-residents,	4
No. of minors in Town May 1st, 1886, between the years of five and fifteen,	198
Between eight and fourteen,	No return.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation,	\$1800 00	
State Fund,	311 75	
Part of Dog Fund,	36 57	
	<hr/>	\$2148 32

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' Salaries for current year,	\$1769 00	
Fuel and Janitors,	101 73	
Books and Supplies,	230 00	
	<hr/>	\$2100 73

CONTINGENT.

Repairs on School Houses,	\$105 53
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SUMMER TERM.

SCHOOLS.	No. of Weeks.	Whole number of Pupils.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Cases of Tardiness.	No. not Tardy or Absent.	Wages of Teacher per Month.	No. of Visitors.
Centre Primary..	12	40	35.41	34.15	9	11	\$36	19
No. 1,	12	14	12.66	14.41	3	11	24	17
No. 2, ..	12	13	11.75	10.94	17	3	24	8
No. 3,	12	19	15.20	13.75	14	0	26	19
No. 4,	12	15	13.50	13.12	13	3	24	13
No. 5,	11	33	30.16	27.39	21	7	32	22
No. 6,	12	18	15.41	13.63	5	4	24	17
No. 7,	12	14	9.83	9.16	6	0	24	21
No. 8,	12	15	14.33	13.75	23	0	28	13
No. 9,	12	10	9.66	9.66	13	2	24	15

WINTER TERM.

Centre Primary..	12	31	26.08	24.25	2	5	\$36	15
No. 1,	12	16	12.66	11.84	32	1	26	11
No. 2,	12	11	11.	10.55	10	4	26	15
No. 3,	12	19	14.75	12.3	31	0	24	3
No. 4,	12	20	19.66	18.8	6	6	56	14
No. 5,	13	28	25.	22.83	39	0	28	5
No. 6,	12	19	17.54	16.6	11	4	28	19
No. 7,	12	12	9.87	7.39	33	0	26	7
No. 8,	12	22	19.71	17.37	89	2	28	7
No. 9,	12	9	7.66	7.31	12	1	26	14
Centre Grammar..	12	36	30.66	27.53	87	2	50	13

NAMES OF TEACHERS, WAGES, &c.

SCHOOLS.	TERMS.	TEACHERS.	Amount of Wages.	Cost of Fuel and Janitors.
Centre	} Summer,	Marcia P. Hill,	\$108.	\$9.50
Primary,	} Winter,	Marcia P. Hill,	108.	
No. 1,	Summer,	Millie F. Stackpole,	72.	2.00
.	Winter,	Cora E. Clark,	78.	
No. 2,	Summer,	Ava S. Bigelow,	72.	2.00
.	Winter,	Mary A. Leamy,	78.	
No. 3,	Summer,	Ina A. Potter,	78.	4.00
.	Winter,	Mary L. Ammidon,	72.	
No. 4,	Summer,	Etta L. Miles,	72.	14.55
.	Winter,	Etta L. Miles,	78.	
No. 5,	Summer,	Nelly F. Munroe,	88.	14.35
.	Winter,	Lizzie J. Andrews,	91.	
No. 6,	Summer,	Alice M. Pratt,	72.	17.33
.	Winter,	Alice M. Pratt,	84.	
No. 7,	Summer,	Jennie E. Gates,	72.	18.50
.	Winter,	Ella M. Ball,	78.	
No. 8,	Summer,	Frances I. Putnam,	84.	13.00
.	Winter,	Frances I. Putnam,	84.	
No. 9,	Summer,	Nellie G. Spaulding	72.	3.50
.	Winter,	Nellie G. Spaulding	78.	
Centre	} Winter,	Walter A. Wheeler,	150.	3.00
Grammar,				
Total,			1769.	101.73

ROLL OF HONOR.

Below is a list of those scholars who, by the constancy and punctuality of their attendance, deserve honorable mention. The list is compiled on the basis of excusing one day's non-attendance, and one tardy mark. A star before the name indicates those so excused.

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Henry B. Davis,

Bertie D. Smith,

*Mary E. Browning.

CENTRE PRIMARY.

Summer Term.

Lizzie M. Putnam,
Julia T. Prescott,
Etta L. Putnam,
Mary A. Demond,
Lucy C. Dodge,
Mary E. Browning,
George E. Loughman,
Albert N. Putnam,
B. Wesley Putnam,
Clarence C. Dodge,
Willie M. Demond,
*Bertie D. Bartlett,
*Jessie I. Taylor,
*Marcia Z. Sherwood,
*Lottie E. Browning,
*James Sherwood,
*John Scott,
*Wendell E. Browning.

Winter Term.

Bertie D. Bartlett,
Albert N. Putnam,
Wendell E. Browning,
Willie M. Demond,
Marcia Z. Sherwood,
*Jessie I. Taylor,
*Bertha A. Taylor,
*Frank F. Dana,
*B. Wesley Putnam,
*Leroy S. Putnam.

No. 1 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Carrie E. Allen,
 Hattie S. Bigelow,
 Bertha E. Allen,
 Lillie P. Wilson,
 Nellie E. Hatstat,
 Thedie E. Allen,
 Hattie D. Leadbetter,
 Arthur W. Davis,
 George M. Bigelow,
 Harry L. Wilson,
 Ellis Wilson.

Winter Term.

Arthur W. Davis,
 *Nellie M. Bigelow.

No. 2 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Mary A. Mellen,
 Katie Hammond,
 Hannah Hammond.

Winter Term.

Anna Hammond,
 Katie Hammond,
 Hannah Hammond,
 James Mellen.

No. 3 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

M. Edith Smith.

Winter Term.

No. 4 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Sarah Bemis,
 Nellie Griffin,
 Leslie Armitage,
 Arthur Smith,
 *Michael Nihin.

Winter Term.

Lucy C. Dodge,
 Mary A. Putnam,
 *Mary Nihin,
 Sarah Bemis,
 Leslie Armitage,
 Arthur Dodge,
 *Nellie Nihin,
 *Lilla Sanderson,
 Clarence C. Dodge,
 *Burtie R. Potter.

No. 5 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Ernest W. Bliss,
 Mary G. Cullen,
 John F. Cullen,
 Nettie E. Davis,
 Bertha L. Stearns,
 May E. Stearns,
 Vara A. Stearns,
 *James A. Cullen,
 *Clifton H. Davis,
 *Elsie H. Davis,
 *Effie M. Wesson.

Winter Term.

*Nettie E. Davis,
 *Lewis E. Moore.

No. 6 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Lily M. Chamberlin,
 Mary E. O'Leary,
 Dora E. Dudley,
 Myrtie C. Edwards.

Winter Term.

Mary L. Kennen,
 Lily M. Chamberlin,
 Cora O. Dudley,
 George H. Rice,
 *Mary E. O'Leary,
 *Robert D. O'Leary.

No. 7 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

*Mary L. Valley,
 *Gertrude Kennen.

Winter Term.

No. 8 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

*Kate Delehanty,
 *Mary E. O'Herron,
 *Dennie E. O'Herron.

Winter Term.

Leslie Moore,
 Roland Moore,
 Maud Moore,
 *Thomas O'Herron.

No. 9 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Lena M. Woodis,
 George B. Woodis,
 *Helen A. Moulton,
 *Etta M. Woodis,
 *Rosie N. Woodis,
 *Sammie F. Moulton,
 *Mercie E. Upham.

Winter Term.

Ella S. Woodis,
 *Lena M. Woodis,
 *Sammie F. Moulton.

Whole number of names on record,	109
Perfect for the year,	21

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. WHEELER,
 LAWTON T. HADLEY,
 CHARLES R. BARTLETT,

School Committee.

WARRANT.

WORCESTER, SS. To Benjamin F. Browning, Constable for the
Town of Rutland.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Rutland, on Monday, the seventh day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles: viz.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

2. To choose a Town Clerk.

3. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.

4. To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.

5. To determine what compensation the Town will allow its officers.

6. To determine the manner of repairing the Highways and Bridges, and make the same passable in Winter.

7. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town expenses and to pay Town debts, and appropriate the same.

8. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money under the direction of the Selectmen.

9. To vote by ballot Yes, or No, in answer to the question, Shall License be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town.

10. To determine the time when all Taxes shall be made payable, and make regulations concerning the same.

11. To see if the Town will purchase one additional Road Machine.

12. To see if the Town will provide a suitable place to house their Road Machines and Tools.

13. To see if the Town will insure their School Houses.

14. To see if the Town will vote to sell their Railroad Stock, or act thereon.

15. To see what action the Town will take concerning the location of a Railroad Depot for the centre of the Town.

16. To see if the Town will accept the List of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

17. To see if the Town will do anything to improve the old Burying Ground and the ground in front of the same.

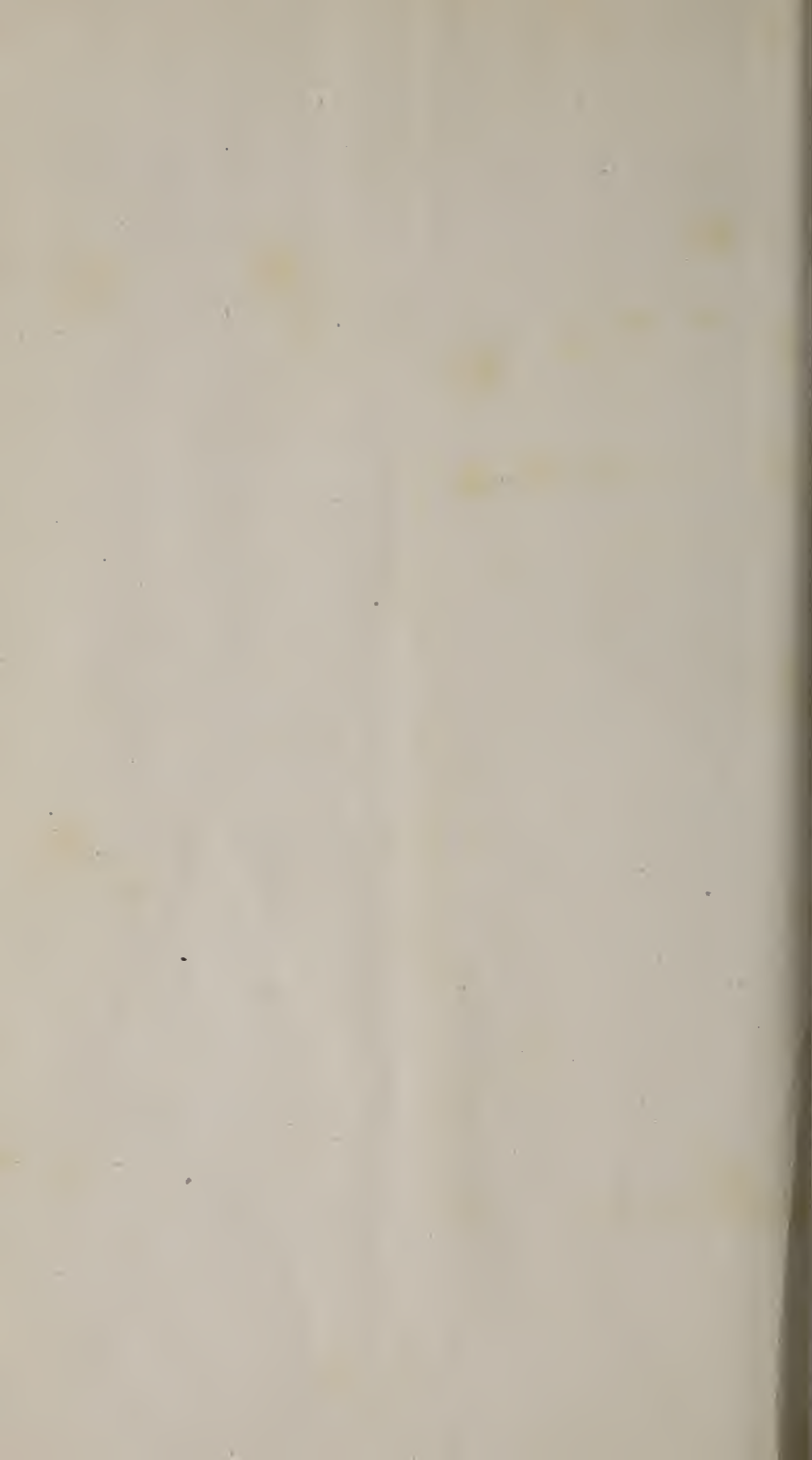
18. To see if the Town will vote to have their Records Indexed, or act thereon.

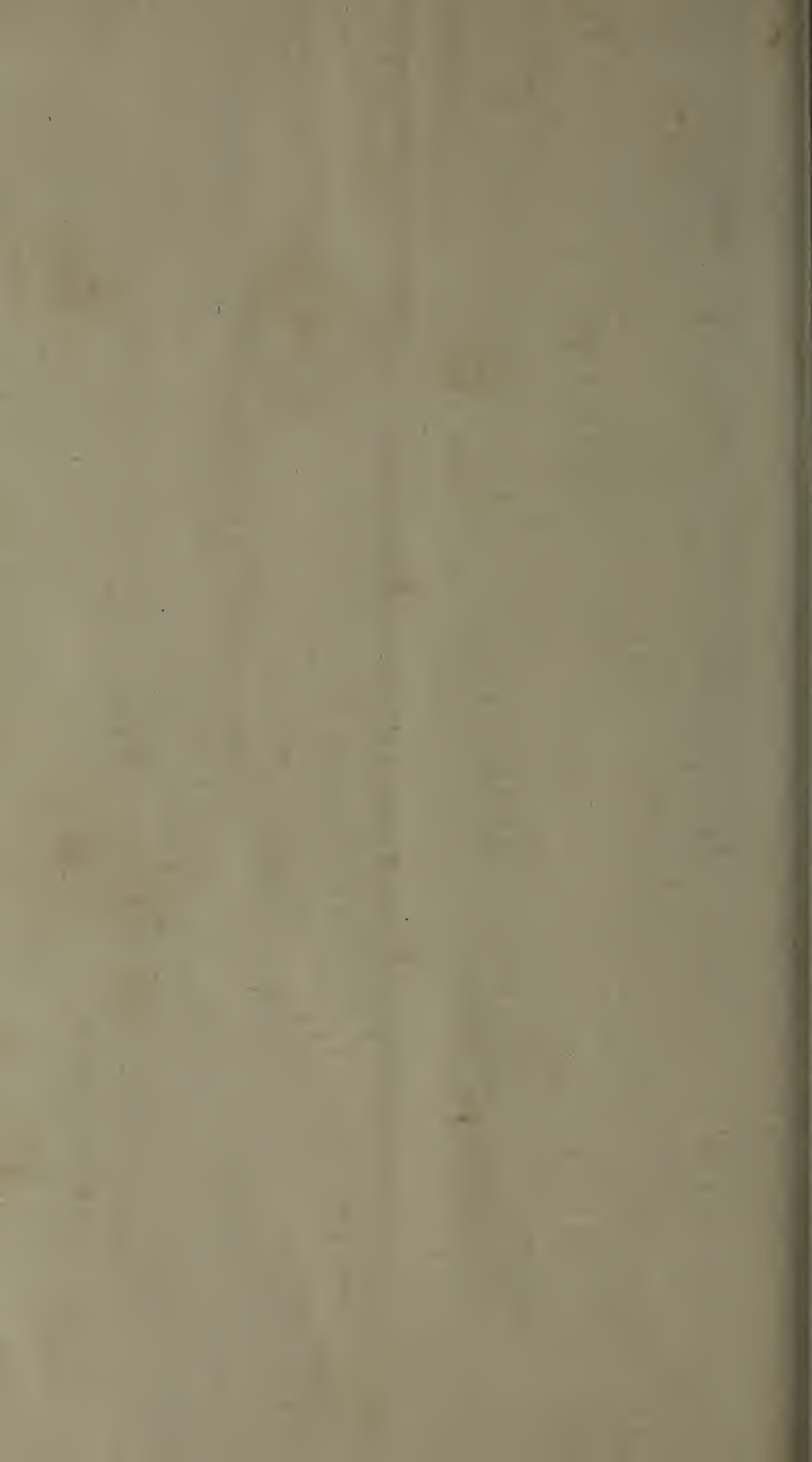
19. To see what disposition the Town will make of the money presented by William Meade.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to the vote of said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-fourth day of February, in the year 1887.

JOHN W. MUNROE,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
HENRY CONVERSE,	
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>







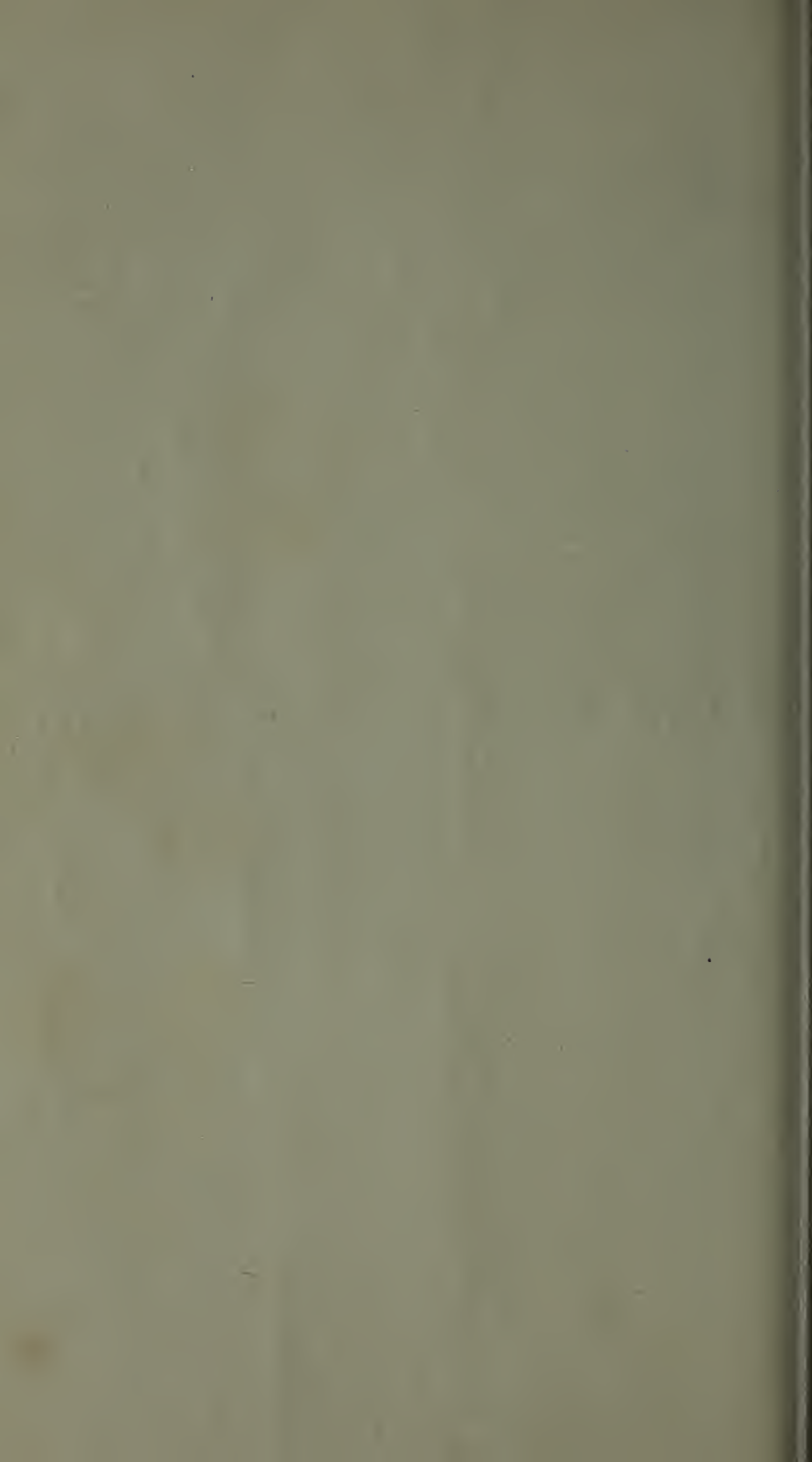
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TOWN OFFICERS:

SELECTMEN:

M. R. MOULTON, F. G. BARTLETT, T. SIBLEY HEALD.

TOWN CLERK:

GEORGE A. PUTNAM.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR:

FREEMAN R. FOSTER.

OVERSEERS OF POOR:

DAVID F. SMITH, HENRY A. KENNON,
E. C. DUDLEY,

ROAD COMMISSIONERS:

C. E. ALLEN, HENRY A. KENNON.

CONSTABLES:

FREEMAN R. FOSTER, GEORGE S. PUTNAM,
JOHN W. ADAMS, CHARLES ALLEN, DAVID F. SMITH,

SEXTON:

GEORGE S. PUTNAM.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE:

GEORGE S. DODGE, GEORGE A. PUTNAM,
L. T. HADLEY.

LIBRARIAN:

Mrs. FREEMAN R. FOSTER.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK:

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, CALEB A. WARE,
ADDISON CHILDS.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER:

CALEB A. WARE, GEORGE A. PUTNAM
RUFUS A. SAWYER.

FENCE VIEWERS:

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, FREEMAN R. FOSTER,
CALEB A. WARE.

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1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To hear the Reports of the Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.
4. To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.
5. To see what sums of money the Town will raise for the support of the Public Schools ; for repairs on the Highways ; for the support of the Poor ; for Contingent Expenses and paying Debts ; and appropriate the same.
6. To determine the manner of Repairing the Highways, and make them passable when encumbered with snow.
7. To see if the Treasurer shall be Collector of Taxes, and to determine the compensation of the Treasurer and Collector.
8. To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors, as presented by the Selectmen.
9. To see if the Town will authorize their Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town, under the direction of the Selectmen.

10. To vote by ballot Yes, or No, in answer to the question : Shall license be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town.

11. To see what interest shall be paid on Taxes not paid in a specified time.

12. To see what the Town will do in regard to Street Lights, or act thereon.

13. To see what method the Town will adopt to have their Town House taken care of.

14. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue any part of the Miles road, so called, or act thereon.

15. To see if the Town will vote to have a piece of road near Joseph Davis' accepted as a Town road, or act thereon.

16. To see what method the Town will adopt for digging and filling graves, and attending funerals with the hearse, the ensuing year.

17. To see if the Town will purchase a new Road Machine, or act thereon.

18. To transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to the vote, seven days, at least, before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight.

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

LIST OF VOTERS.

A

Adams, John W.
Avery, David P.
Allen, Benjamin
Allen, Charles W.
Allen, Stephen P.
Allen, Edward C.
Armitage, George
Acker, Elbridge
Allen, Walter F.

B

Bartlett, Francis G.
Bartlett, Charles R.
Bartlett, Walter H.
Brooks, Volney E.
Bigelow, J Warren
Browning, B. Franklin
Browning, George P.
Bond, Thomas
Baker, Lyman A.
Baker, Abel
Baker, Edwin H.
Bemis, Herman N.
Brigham, Lawson S.
Barr, William H.
Bigelow, George E.
Buttrick, John B.
Bliss, Henry C.
Baker, George T.
Bigelow, F. Carter

C

Clark, J. Edmund
Chickering, Samuel
Chickering, Merrill
Clair, John D.
Cahoon George
Cahoon, George P.

Cody, Richard

Cowden, George W.
Campbell, Thomas L.
Chamberlain, Ahira L.
Chamberlain, Elisha
Childs, Addison
Cronk, William
Converse, Henry
Chickering, Otis N.
Crover, Henry S.
Conlin, James
Cheever, Frank L.
Charter, Andrew S.
Conner, Daniel M.

D

Davis, H. Jones
Davis, Joseph
Davis, John C.
Demond, Daniel
Damon, Galen P.
Delehanty, Patrick
Dudley, Era C.
Dodge, George S.
Davis, George M.
Dana, Charles H.
Davis, Henry B.

F

Forbush, Frank D.
Fletcher, Stillman J.
Foster, Freeman R.
Fay, Stephen W.
Fay, George A.
Fairbanks, Oliver C.
Fisher, Alvan B.
Foster, James R.
Foster, B. Franklin
Foster, John W.

G

Gates, George A.
Gates, George S.
Gleason, Dennis
Gleason, Michael
Griffin, John H.
Graton, John F.
Gillespie, Frank L.
Green, Samuel C.
Goulding, Elijah

H

Henry, Edwin
Holden, Miles
Homer, George W.
Hatstat, Alfred
Handy, George W.
Hunt, Fred. S.
Hatch, William D.
Hudson, George W.
Hunter, James
Hammond, William H.
Hadley, Granville K.
Hadley, Lawton T.
Hadley, James H.
Healey, William E.
Heald, T. Sibley
Hunter, William J.
Hanff, Louis M.
Hammond, Hugh
Hubbard, Edgar S.
Holden, George L.

J

Jordan, Amasa
Johnson, Fred D.

K

King, John B.
King, Horace
Kennen, Henry A.
Kennen, Myron J.
Kelley, John

L

Lane, Elbridge
Lane, Calvin
Leary, Daniel
Leary, Michael
Loughman, Michael
Leadbetter, George W.
Leadbetter, George E.
Leary, John E.

M

Miles, Rufus B.
Miles, Adin H.
Muzzy, Edmund
Munroe, James L.
Munroe, George B.
Munroe, John W.
Meade, Elias F.
Moulton, Menzies R.
Moore, Henry
Mollen, Edward
Metcalf, John R.
McCarthy, Daniel
Miles, Joseph
Moulton, Joseph M.
Miles, George H.

O

O'Herron, Dennis
Oliver, Hiram B.

P

Putnam, George A.
Putnam, George S.
Prescott, Sylvester
Prescott, William W.

Prescott, Roland C.
Prescott, Walter H.
Prescott, Edwin S.
Peirce, Andrew J.
Peirce, Charles
Peirce, Frank E.
Peirce, George W.
Peirce, Orrin
Prouty, Schuyler
Prouty, Edward J.
Pratt, Albert B.
Preston, Edward F.
Putney, Giles F.
Putnam, Daniel C.
Parkhurst, Clifton
Powers, Edward
Putnam, David F.

R

Reid, Charles E.
Reid, Albert A.
Rogers, N. Taylor
Rice, Henry D.
Reynolds, Frank
Reynolds, Frank, Jr.

S

Stone, Edward J.
Sawyer, B. Martin
Sawyer, Rufus A.
Smith, David F.
Smith, M. Myron
Skinner, J. Milo
Scott, Ebenezer W.
Sargent, John N.
Sargent, George R. N.
Stone, Charles E.
Stearns, Levi H.
Sargent, Newton I.
Spooner, Daniel
Strong, Zebulon
Strong, Zebulon, Jr.
Sughrue, James
Shannon, James G.
Seaverns, Samson

Stone, E. Eugene
Spaulding, Lorenzo Q.
Smith, Dennis A.
Strong, Joseph A.
Stone, Joel
Sargent, Luther
Strong, Amos
Smith, Horace A.
Strong, Francis

T

Temple, William C.
Taylor, Simeon D.
Taylor, James M.
Taylor, George M.

U

Upham, Charlea H.
Upham, Alfred E.

W

Wheeler, Paul
Wheeler, H. Edward
Wheeler, Daniel R.
Woodis, George P.
Wells, John B.
Wellington, O. Clark
Wellington, Ebenezer
Wales, Ivory
Wesson, Cyrus H.
Ware, Caleb A.
Welch, Thomas
Woodbury, Arthur P.
Wales, Warren G.
Wheeler, Walter A.
Ware, Josiah F.
Welch, William J.
Welch, John J.
Williams, George F.

Y

Young, Charles H.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Schedule of Property, as Appraised by the Overseers,

FEBRUARY 14, 1888.

Real Estate,	\$2,500 00
Farming tools and household furniture,	650 00
2 Horses,	190 00
Oxen,	100 00
2 yearlings,	18 00
1 two-year old bull,	30 00
1 two-year old heifer,	33 00
10 cows,	300 00
2 hogs,	35 00
35 fowls,	20 00
11 tons of English hay,	165 00
1½ tons of fodder,	18 00
17 bushels of corn,	11 90
Grass seed,	3 00
10 bushels of potatoes,	7 50
Garden vegetables,	9 00
Apples,	3 50
10 bbls vinegar,	58 80
Salt pork,	15 00
Fresh pork sausages,	15 00
Lard and butter,	3 00
Tallow and candles,	1 50
Beans and peas,	3 50
Flour,	2 50
Soap and salt,	1 25
Spices and cream tartar,	1 50
Lumber,	6 00
Barb wire,	8 00
Phosphate,	8 00—\$4,247 95

SUMMARY OF EXPENSE AT ALMSHOUSE.

Interest on real and personal estate, appraised	
February 14th, 1887, at 6%, on \$4,189 59,	\$251 38
Salary of Warden for the year ending April 1,	365 00
Town orders to settle accounts,	351 20
Bought flour, meal and crackers,	181 66
Meat and fish,	72 95
Tea, sugar and molasses,	55 18
Spices, cream tartar and soda,	12 11
Cloth, yarn and thread	24 12
Grinding grain,	1 21
Oil, stove polish, etc.	6 43
Tin, earthen and glass ware,	8 04
Matches, soap and salt,	10 60
Tobacco and pipes,	11 00
Paper and brooms,	1 04
Boots and shoes,	14 16
Blacksmithing,	7 40
Farming tools and use of same,	31 73
Stock and use of same,	235 25
1 horse,	150 00
Grass and other seeds,	7 25
Paris green, lime and phosphate,	30 60
Labor,	125 88
Repairing building,	7 51
Medicines,	2 40
Medical attendance,	25 25
Hay,	39 64
Furniture,	40 90
2 Coffins, robes and cases,	26 00
Calves and butter,	21 45
Repairing water pipe,	2 50
E. C. Dudley, for labor and lumber,	14 70—\$2134 24

SUMMARY OF INCOME OF ALMSHOUSE.

Sold butter and cream,	\$224 38
Calves,	25 42
Eggs and poultry,	22 80
Stock keeping and use of same,	51 50
Stock sold,	227 50
Meat and fish,	5 04
Lumber,	3 10
Vinegar,	11 60
Rec'd from Otis Palmer's family,	100 00
“ “ B. Eugene Browning for	
Davis Browning,	91 00

"	"	Brooks Brothers for R. J. Brooks,	14 00	
Cash in hands of Warden,			20 94	
Increase in appraisal of property,			28 96	\$826 24

Net expenses at farm,		\$1308 60
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Whole number of weeks board,	467
Cost per week,	\$2 80

The following persons have been supported at the Almshouse the past year, ending Feb. 14, 1888 :

Robert Demond,	age, 11 months, 20 days, 2 weeks, died Mar 2.	
Moses Clark,	" 77 years,	8
Otis Palmer,	" 63	17
Michael Cronin,	" 87	17
Asa Lakin,	" 87	52
Mrs. Lakin,	" 84	52
Charles Newton,	" 75	37
Reubin Brooks,	" 76	11
Davis Browning,	" 83	52
Asahel Preston,	" 80	52
Mrs. Wm. O. Smith,	" 60	52
Lucy Sawyer,	" 76	52
Harry F. Leonard,	" 7	52
Tramps (76)		11

Whole number of weeks,	467
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TOWN ORDERS FOR 1887 AND 1888.

March	7,	Geo. S. Putnam, coffin and robe for Robert Demond,	\$ 8 50
April	1	Clifton Parkhurst, for salary,	250 00
	1	Order to settle account,	351 20
	16,	Wilson & Holden, flour for Mrs. Lyman Wilson,	5 00
	10,	Hospital bill,	42 09
May		E. C. Dudley, for hay,	9 00
June	20,	Mrs. E. E. Dana, for phosphate,	38 00
	20,	Mrs. E. E. Dana, shoes for Preston,	1 25
	20,	Joseph Davis, shoes and flour for Mrs. Wilson,	10 85
	20,	Clifton Parkhurst, for labor,	20 00
	15,	Geo. S. Putnam, coffin and robe for Otis Palmer,	18 00
	15,	Dr. Sawyer, for Mr. Palmer,	8 00
July	1,	John McCoy, for labor,	20 00
	1,	J. G. Shannon, for Robert Demond,	10 00
	1,	J. G. Shannon, for Orin Ackley,	13 50

July	1, J. G. Shannon, for Michael Cronin,	\$ 7 50
	1, J. G. Shannon, for Charles Newton,	75
	30, John Michel, for labor,	21 00
Aug.	30, Hospital bill,	49 75
	1, E. C. Dudley, for use of horse,	16 00
	1, John Conley, for labor,	4 42
	1, Mrs. E. E. Dana, for boots and thread,	3 11
	1, C. Parkhurst, for hay,	30 64
Sept.	1, Clifton Parkhurst, for salary,	100 00
	1, E. C. Dudley, use of horse,	23 25
	26, Geo S. Putnam, coffin and robe for Farrington,	21 00
	10, Hospital bill,	42 71
	10, City of Worcester, for Eugene Pierce,	2 85
Oct.	1, Clifton Parkhurst, for salary,	75 00
	1, Joseph Davis, flour for Mrs. Lyman Wilson,	5 00
	7, Charles Allen, taking care of Farrington,	58 00
	7, C. H. Young, groceries for Farrington,	9 82
Nov.	1, Henry Converse, for Meat,	33 92
	1, B. F. Browning, for horse,	150 00
	1, Frank E. Coddington, for taking care Farrington,	8 00
	1, Dr. Chamberlin, for Farrington,	18 00
Jan.	1, Joseph Davis, flour for Mrs. Lyman Wilson,	5 25
	1, Hospital bill,	42 71
	1, F. F. Phelps, for stove pipe,	4 90
	1, Dr. Spencer, Barre, for Mrs. Eliza Clark,	35 00
Feb.	11, Clifton Parkhurst, for salary,	8 50
	11, Town of Southbridge, for E. Rice,	15 56
	11, Leonard Stone, for stove range,	36 00
	11, E. C. Dudley, for labor and lumber,	14 70
	11, Town of Barre,	116 64
	11, Thomas Lawless, for labor, approved last year, but not drawn,	43 70
Total,		<u>\$1,809 07</u>

EXPENSE OF SUPPORT OF PAUPERS OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Lunatic Asylum for Wm. O. Smith,	\$177 86
City of Worcester, for Eugene Pierce,	2 55
Charles Allen, for taking care Farrington,	57 50
Groceries for Mrs. Lyman Wilson,	21 10
G. S. Putnam, coffin and robe for Farrington,	21 00
Chas. H. Young, groceries for A. Farrington,	9 28
Frank E. Coddington, care for Farrington,	8 00
Dr. Chamberlin, for Farrington,	18 00
Town of Southbridge, for E. Rice,	15 56
Dr. Spencer, of Barre, for Mrs. Eliza Clark,	35 00
Dr. J. G. Shannon, for Orrin Ackley,	13 50
The Town of Barre,	116 64— \$495 99

Received for A. Farrington, etc.	49 00	
from Orrin Ackley,	6 00	— 55 00
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Making a total of		\$ 440 99
Expenses at the Almshouse,		1308 00
Overseers' services,		49 50
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		\$1798 49

As expense of supporting the Town and other Paupers
for the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Feb. 15, 1888.

D. F. SMITH, } *Overseers*
H. A. KENNEN, } *of*
E. C. DUDLEY, } *Poor.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FREEMAN R. FOSTER, TREASURER.

Dr.

1887.

		Received of B F. Browning, Treasurer for 1886,	\$5,300 00
April	8.	Received of State Mutual Life Assurance Co.	1,000 00
	14.	Received of C. R. Bartlett, check for Massachusetts Central Railroad Stock,	7,706 25
August	6.	Received of Overseers of the Poor on account of Otis B. Palmer,	100 00
October	6.	Received of First National Bank, cash,	979 50
November	2.	Received of Horace A. Smith, poll tax,	2 00
	16.	Received of Daniel Demond, auctioneer's license,	2 00
December	3.	Received of F. E. Pierce, use of hall cattle show night,	5 00
	7.	Received of State Treasurer, corporation tax,	15 60
	7.	Received of State Treasurer, national bank tax,	24 96
	7.	Received of State Treasurer, state aid, chap, 252, act 1879.	208 50
	7.	Received of State Treasurer, state aid, chap, 301, act 1879,	66 00
	12.	Received of Overseers of Poor, for Farrington house	49 00
	24.	Received of County Treasurer, dog fund for 1887,	170 43

1888.

January	25.	Received of State Treasurer, school fund,	313 41
February	6.	Received of Overseers of Poor, D. D. Browning's board,	91 00
	13.	Received of G. W. Hudson, use of the hall,	3 00
	13.	Received amount of tax bills for 1887,	7870 66
	15.	Received of Overseers of Poor, R. J. Brooks' board,	14 00
	15.	Received of Overseers of Poor, Oren Ackley,	6 00
	15.	Received of B. F. Browning, Treasurer for 1886,	150 00
	15.	Received of A. S. Hatstat, tax on real estate,	5 10
	15.	Received Interest of taxes for 1887,	15 90

\$23,948 31

1887.

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March	29.	Paid Worcester Co. Inst. for Savings, int.	\$300 00
	29.	Paid State Mutual Life Assurance Co., int.	100 00
	29.	Paid Assessors' Abatement,	4 00
April	15.	Paid State Mut. Life Assur. Co., note & int.	5,025 00
July	18.	Paid Assessor's Abatement,	14 89
August	30.	Paid Wor. Co. In. for Sav., note and int.	300 00
October	4.	Paid State Mut Life Assur. Co., int.	22 50
	4.	Paid One-half County Tax,	174 00
December	5.	Paid Abatement on Taxes,	233 15
	5.	Paid One-half County Tax,	174 00
	5.	Paid State Tax,	585 00
	21.	Paid Abatement on Taxes,	7 00

1888.

February	8.	Paid First National Bank, note,	1,000 00
	8.	Paid 259 Selectmen's Orders,	12,762 26

\$20,701 81

Balance in Treasury February 15, including tax bills, \$3,246 50

Respectfully Submitted,

FREEMAN R. FOSTER, Treasurer.

RUTLAND, FEBRUARY 15, 1888.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Your Selectmen respectfully present the following as the financial condition of the Town at the present date, Feb. 15, 1888.

We have drawn upon the Treasurer during the past year 259 Orders, amounting to \$12,762 26.

The appropriations for the Town were as follows :

State Tax,	\$ 585 00
County Tax,	348 00
Town Grant,	6800 00
Overlayings,	137 66

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Worcester Savings Bank, note and interest,	\$ 5,300 00
State Mutual Life Assurance Co.,	1021 25
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	\$16,321 25

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from the State Treasury,	\$ 300 00
In hands of Henry Converse, Trustee,	1042 00
In hands of B. F. Browning, Treasurer,	1031 05
In hands of F. R. Foster,	3246 51
In hands of Town Hall Janitor,	5 00
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	\$5624 56
Showing a balance against the Town of	<hr/>
	\$10,696 69

1887. ORDERS PAID.

Date. No. of order.

April 2, No. 1, Daniel O'Leary, snow bill,	\$42 16
2, Henry S. Grover, snow,	5 50
3, Michael Leary, snow,	24 50
4, J. M. Steinberg, snow,	3 52
5, Dennis Leary, snow,	8 62
6, Edward Mellen, snow,	4 95
7, Geo. S. Putnam, Overseers,	8 50
8, James W. Mellen, School,	3 00
9, John D. Clair, snow,	16 13
10, C. H. Parker, Overseers,	5 00

April 2. No.	11, A. W. Needham, School,	\$ 2 50
	12, J. T. Lawless, Overseers,	43 70
	13, H. Jones Davis, School,	4 90
	14, Wm. D. Hatch, snow,	3 32
	15, A. Hatstatt, snow,	1 60
	16, Era C. Dudley, snow,	10 83
	17, Herman N. Bemis, snow,	58
	18, A. Hatstatt, snow,	18 80
	19, Edward Mellen, snow,	10 54
	20, Daniel Leary, Highway,	2 25
	21, Merrill Chickering, snow,	9 00
	22, James M. Taylor, snow,	27 08
	23, Michael Gleason, snow,	22 50
	24, Dennis O. Herron, snow,	16 37
	25, John B. Wells, snow,	1 79
	26, Henry A. Kennen, snow,	24 16
	27, F. G. Bartlett, snow,	11 98
	28, B. F. Browning, State Aid,	44 00
	29, F. R. Foster, State Aid,	28 00
	30, Walter H. Bartlett, snow,	21 81
	31, Henry A. Kennen, snow,	5 83
	32, Zebulon Strong, snow,	12 50
	33, Geo. T. Baker, snow,	83
	34, Joseph Davis, snow,	40 49
	35, F. G. Bartlett, snow,	5 58
	36, Geo. E. Bigelow, snow,	3 33
	37, T. S. Heald, snow,	9 99
	38, Adin H. Miles, snow,	19 35
	39, Henry Converse, Trustee of Meade fund,	1000 00
	40, David P. Avery, snow,	6 67
	41, Michael Leary, snow,	4 00
	42, Henry D. Rice, snow,	1 00
	43, B. F. Browning, State Aid for 1886,	8 00
	44, B. F. Browning, for error in Taxes, 1886,	17 09
	45, B. F. Browning, for State Aid to Durinda Childs,	12 00
	46, B. F. Browning, for interest paid at Bank,	6 46
May 7,	47, C. H. Upham, snow,	36 04
	48, Hugh Hammond, snow,	20 17
	49, Edward Mellen, snow,	7 12
	50, Amory T. Davis, snow,	3 83
	51, Charles Butler, snow,	19 16
	52, Walter C. Boyce, snow,	10 33
	53, Hermon N. Bemis, snow,	2 13
	54, Daniel R. Wheeler, snow,	34 37
	55, H. Jones Davis, snow,	6 50
	56, Wilson & Holden, Overseers,	5 00
	57, T. L. & T. F. Campbell, snow,	11 73

May 7.	58, Louis M. Hanff, School,	\$14 95
	59, Michael Gleason, snow,	9 16
	60, Freeman R. Foster, State Aid,	52 00
	61, Wm. D. Hatch, snow,	2 08
	62, Edward C. Allen, Highway,	10 56
	63, John N. Sargent, snow,	93 50
	64, Ivory Wales, snow,	31 99
	65, Ivory Wales, Highway,	2 83
	66, Adin H. Miles, snow,	6 50
	67, Chester Armstrong, snow,	4 17
	68, Iver Johnson & Co., Handcuffs,	5 50
	69, James Sherwood, snow,	28 83
	70, F. G. Bartlett, Freight and snow,	6 15
	71, Geo. W. Cowden, snow,	1 67
	72, J. A. Strong, snow,	2 16
	73, Henry A. Kennen, Highway and snow,	12 25
	74, H. M. Waite, Tools for Highway,	15 72
June 4,	75, Chas. O. McKinstry, Damage,	65 00
	76, E. C. Allen, Highway,	50 00
July 2,	77, E. Goulding, snow,	21 67
	78, Boston Supply Co., School,	90 23
	79, Henrietta Senter, School,	84 00
	80, M. E. Williams, School,	65 00
	81, Mary A. Leamy, School,	72 00
	82, Annie Dean, School,	72 00
	83, Bessie M. Edwards, School,	72 00
	84, Lizzie E. Holden, School,	72 00
	85, Marcia P. Hill, School,	108 00
	86, E. L. Miles, School,	81 00
	87, Mary Mellen, School,	2 00
	88, Nellie Bigelow, School,	2 00
	89, Alfred Hatstat, snow,	11 28
	90, Henry Moore, snow and bridge,	11 16
	91, George S. Putnam, sexton, overseers,	18 00
	92, E. L. Sawyer, M. D., overseers,	8 00
	93, John M'Coy, overseers,	20 00
	94, Freeman R. Foster, State Aid,	44 00
	95, E. C. Allen, highway,	422 37
	96, Fred. S. Hunt, snow,	8 99
	97, Henry A. Kennen, bridge,	20 40
	98, John D. Clair, snow,	11 67
	99, E. C. Dudley, Overseers,	9 00
	100, A. W. Davis, School,	2 00
	101, Joseph Davis, Overseers,	10 85
	102, Henry A. Kennen, highway,	382 00
	103, Dennis Leary, snow,	29 00
	104, James M. Taylor, snow,	13 16

July 2,	105, Frank Strong, snow,	\$ 3 66
	106, E. C. Allen, highway,	207 52
	107, Henry A. Kennen, highway,	351 40
	108, Henry A. Kennen, incidentals,	24 50
	109, Clifton A. Parkhurst, Overseers,	601 20
	110, Boston School Supply Co., schools,	1 80
	111, C. R. Bartlett, Agent R. R. Stock,	12 00
	112, Geo. S. Putnam, Sexton and painting Road Machine,	24 20
	113, Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Overseers,	42 69
	114, E. E. Dana, Overseers,	39 25
	115, Michael Loughman, repairs on Road Machine,	10 50
	116, H. L. Brewster, School,	39 00
	117, Lewis M. Hanff, School,	1 28
	118, Freeman R. Foster, State Aid,	44 00
	119, Charles O. M'Kinstry, damage,	25 00
	120, Alvin B. Fisher, bridge,	29 00
Aug. 6,	121, Harriet L. Brewster, School,	41 50
	122, Mary L. Lyman, School,	73 50
	123, J. W. Mitchell, Overseers,	21 00
	124, Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Overseers,	49 75
	125, E. H. Tripp, Printing,	39 00
	126, Charles Foster, bridge,	4 80
	127, Fred. S. Hunt, Assessor, &c.,	29 93
	128, Freeman R. Foster, State Aid,	44 00
	129, E. C. Allen, highway,	68 12
	130, John W. Stenborg, snow,	2 08
Sept. 3,	131, John Murphy, New Road,	277 75
	132, E. C. Allen, highway	95 25
	133, Edgar S. Hubbard, New Road	15 00
	134, Henry A. Kennen, highway.	469 76
	135, Fred. S. Hunt, damage	100 00
	136, E. Wellington, Sexton and highway	6 92
October 1,	137, George W. Cowden, highway	53 00
	138, M. M. Smith, School	10 00
	139, E. C. Allen, highway	187 17
	140, Nathan T. Rogers, damage	205 00
	141, James G. Shannon, Overseers	30 75
	142, Joseph Davis, Overseers and snow	15 91
	143, Dennis Leary, snow	1 67
	144, Era C. Dudley, Overseers	23 25
	145, Clifton Parkhurst, Overseers	130 64
	146, Geo. S. Putnam, Assessor	25 00
	147, John Connely, Overseers	4 42
	148, E. C. Dudley, Overseers	16 00
	149, Clifton Parkhurst, Overseers	20 00
	150, Freeman R. Foster, State Aid	91 00
	151, Mrs. F. R. Foster, Librarian	26 00

October 1,	152, F. R. Foster, Assessor	\$ 26 35
	153, Geo P. Woodis, damage	80 00
	154, E. E. Dana, Overseers,	3 11
	155, Geo. S. Putnam, Overseers	21 00
	156, Joel Stone, highway	23 55
	157, Geo. S. Putnam, Sexton	22 00
	158, Frank G. Bartlett, highway	54 10
	159, Henry A. Kennen, highway	232 55
	160, Henry A. Kennen, repairs, tools, etc.	4 90
	171, James Sherwood, New Road	496 92
	162, Chas. H. Young, Overseers	9 82
	163, Lyman A. Baker, bridge,	4 00
Nov. 2,	164, S. D. & M. Chickering, snow	10 50
	165, O. Nelson, highway	32 65
	166, Chas. R. Bartlett, School	61 75
	167, Geo. A. Putnam, Library Committee	123 16
	168, Daniel R. Wheeler, snow	23 77
	169, F. E. Coddington, Overseers	8 00
	170, Louis M. Hanff, Guide Boards	2 00
	171, Chas. W. Allen, Overseers	58 00
	172, Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Overseers	42 71
	173, Hugh Hammond, School	7 12
	174, E. H. Tripp, Assessors' Report	25 00
	175, Elisha Chamberlin, snow	6 00
	176, Thomas Lawless, School	8 12
	177, Olive M. Barnes, School	28 00
	178, L. A. Proctor, School	28 00
Dec. 6,	179, L. A. Stockdale, School	28 00
	180, Henry Converse, Overseers	33 92
	181, City of Worcester, Overseers	2 85
	182, B. F. Browning, Overseers	150 00
	183, W. H. Hammond, snow	5 66
	184, James Hunter, snow	8 33
	185, Lawson S. Brigham, snow	7 99
	186, Elbridge Acker, snow	3 50
	187, Clifton Parkhurst, Overseers	75 00
	188, Walter A. Wheeler, School	25 00
	189, E. C. Allen, highway	97 08
	190, S. Prouty, snow	3 83
	191, F. R. Foster, State Aid	94 00
	192, D. M. Parker, lumber for bridge	5 99
	193, E. C. Allen, highway	55 35
	194, Henry A. Kennen, highway	17 24
	195, C. R. Bartlett, New Road	500 00
	196, M. R. Moulton, New Road	196 00

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Jan. 7,	197, Walter B. Ware, highway and school	\$ 5 48
	198, Chas. L. Ware, School	2 00
	199, Fred. R. Bartlett, School	3 00
	200, R. B. Miles, highway	4 71
	201, W. A. Wheeler, School	130 00
	202, L. A. Proctor, School	28 00
	203, L. A. Stockdale, School	28 00
	204, L. A. Stockdale, School	28 00
	205, Olive M. Barnes, School	50 00
	206, A. E. Upham, School	84 00
	207, Alice M. Wales, School	84 00
	208, Mary S. Lyman, School	81 00
	209, Warren G. Wales, School	9 50
	210, James M. Taylor, highway	25 66
	211, M. P. Hill, School	108 00
	212, Minnie G. Harrington, School	78 00
	213, Lizzie E. Holden, School	78 00
	214, L. A. Proctor, School	28 00
	215, Arthur Heald, School	3 00
	216, Fanny Graton, School	1 50
	217, Lulu L. Clark, School	84 00
	218, Charles Rice,	11 50
	219, Wm. E. Chamberlin, Overseers	18 00
	220, Chas. R. Bartlett, School Committee	38 70
	221, Geo. E. Allen, Road Machine	277 39
	222, Geo. Tyler, machine parts	13 50
	223, F. R. Foster, State Aid	42 00
	224, Daniel Nihin, snow	1 00
	225, C. H. Upham, snow	6 95
	226, L. Q. Spaulding, care of Town Clock two years	40 00
	227, Michael Cullen, highway	4 33
	228, Worcester Lunatic Hospital. Overseers	42 71
	229, F. F. Phelps, Overseers	4 90
	230, Frank F. Dana, School	3 00
	231, H. Jones Davis, School	5 00
	232, Joseph Davis, Overseers	5 25
	233, Frank D. Forbush, snow	19 59
	234, Mrs. F. R. Foster, Librarian	26 00
	235, F. R. Foster, State Aid	45 00
	236, M. R. Moulton, New Road and counsel	53 00
	237, G. F. A. Spencer, M. D. Overseers	35 00
	238, Town of Barre, Overseers	116 64
	239, Lord & Stone, Overseers	36 00
	240, C. Parkhurst, Overseers	8 50
Feb. 14,	241, Geo. E. Bigelow, snow	3 33
	242, E. E. Dana	7 22

Feb. 14.	243, Louis M. Hanff, School	\$ 75
	244. Town of Southbridge, Overseers	15 56
	245, Geo. S. Putnam, Sexton	18 75
	246, Chas. R. Bartlett, School	47 39
	247, Geo. P. Woodis, damage,	25 00
	248, Geo. A. Putnam, Town Clerk, Registrar, &c	59 67
	549, David F. Smith, Overseers	28 50
	250, Henry A. Kennen, Overseers	10 00
	251, Era C. Dudley, Overseer, Town Farm.	27 20
	252, Wm. C. Temple, School Committee	32 00
	253, Lillie P. Wilson, School	3 00
	254, Freeman R. Foster, Treasurer, Constable, &c	116 00
	255, M. R. Moulton,	48 50
	256, F. G. Bartlett,	42 00
	257, T. S. Heald	40 00
	258, Chas. R. Bartlett, New Road	100 00
	259, Walter A. Wheeler, School Committee	36 00
	Amount,	<u>\$12,762 26</u>

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	\$25 00
F. G. Bartlett,	24 00
T. Sibley Heald,	22 00

REGISTRARS.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	\$ 6 00
F. G. Bartlett,	6 00
T. Sibley Heald,	6 00

TOWN CLERK.

Paid George A. Putnam,	\$30 80
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ASSESSORS.

Paid Fred. S. Hunt,	\$27 50
George S. Putnam,	25 00
Freeman R. Foster,	26 00

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid David F. Smith,	\$28 50
Henry A. Kennen,	10 00
E. C. Dudley,	12 50

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Walter A. Wheeler,	\$36 00
William C. Temple,	32 00
Charles R. Bartlett,	38 70

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid Freeman R. Foster,	\$100 00
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CONSTABLE.

Paid Freeman R. Foster,	\$10 00
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SEXTONS.

Paid George S. Putnam,	\$54 75
E. Wellington,	1 50

LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. Freeman R. Foster,	\$52 00
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REGISTRAR.

Paid George A. Putnam, clerk and printing,	\$6 50
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Total,	
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\$580 75

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid B. F. Browning, interest	\$ 6 46
Iver Johnson & Co., handcuffs	5 50
F. G. Bartlett, freight on road machine	4 15
H. M. Waite, tools	15 72
C. O. McKinstry, road damage	90 00
H. A. Kennen, bridge	20 40
H. A. Kennen, incidentals	24 50
C. R. Bartlett, Agent, railroad stock	12 00
George S. Putnam, road machine,	10 20
Michael Loughman, road machine	10 50
A. B. Fisher, bridge	29 00
Edward H. Tripp, printing	39 00
Charles Foster, bridge	4 80
Fred. S. Hunt, book	2 43
Henry A. Kennen, tools, etc.	4 90
Lyman A. Baker, bridge	4 00
B. F. Browning, error in taxes	17 09
Louis M. Hanff, guide boards	2 00
Edward H. Tripp, printing	25 00
D. M. Parker, bridge and scraper	5 99
George E. Allen, road machine	277 39
George Tyler, machine parts	13 50
L. Q. Spaulding, care of town clock	40 00
M. R. Moulton, counsel	15 00
George A. Putnam, sundries, printing, etc.	9 37
Library Committee	123 16
C. A. Parker, error	5 00
M. R. Moulton, printing	3 50
F. R. Foster, expense to Worcester	6 00
Total	\$826 56

SCHOOLS.

J. W. Mellen	\$ 3 00
A. W. Needham	2 50
H. J. Davis	4 90
Louis M. Hanff	14 95
Boston School Supply Company	90 23
Henrietta Senter, No. 5	84 00
M. E. Williams, No. 3	65 00
Mary A. Leamy, No. 2	72 00
Anna M. Dean, No. 8	72 00
Bessie M. Edmunds, No. 7	72 00
L. E. Holden, No. 1	72 00
Marcia P. Hill, Centre	108 00
Etter L. Miles, No. 4	81 00
Mary Mellen, No. 2	2 00
Nellie Bigelow, No. 1	2 00
Arthur W. Davis, No. 1	2 00
Boston Supply Company	1 80
H. L. Brewster, No. 6	39 00
Louis M. Hanff	1 28
Harriet L. Brewster, No. 6	41 50
Mary S. Lyman, No. 9	73 50
M. M. Smith, No. 3	10 00
Charles R. Bartlett	61 75
Hugh Hammond, No. 2	7 12
Thomas Lawless, No. 7	8 12
Olive M. Barnes, No. 3	28 00
L. A. Proctor, No. 7	28 00
L. A. Stockdale, No. 4	28 00
W. A. Wheeler, Centre	25 00
Walter B. Ware	3 41
Charles L. Ware	2 00
Fred. R. Bartlett	3 00
W. A. Wheeler, teaching and janitor	130 00
L. A. Proctor, No. 7	28 00
Louise A. Stockdale, No. 4	28 00
Louise A. Stockdale, No. 4	28 00
Olive M. Barnes, No. 3	50 00
A. E. Upham, No. 8	84 00
Alice M. Wales, No. 5	84 00
Mary S. Lyman, No. 9	81 00
Warren G. Wales, No. 5	9 50
Marcia P. Hill, Centre	108 00
Minnie G. Harrington, No. 2	78 00
Lizzie E. Holden, No. 1	78 00
L. A. Proctor, No. 7	28 00
Arthur Heald, No. 2	3 00

Fannie Graton, No. 7	\$ 1 50
Lulu L. Clark, No. 6	84 00
Charley Rice, No. 6	11 50
Frank F. Dana, Centre	3 00
H. J. Davis, No. 5	5 00
C. R. Bartlett	47 39
Lottie P. Wilson	3 00
Total	<hr/> \$2,081 95

SNOW BILLS.

Daniel Leary	\$42 16
Henry S. Crover	5 50
Michael Leary	24 50
J. M. Senberg	3 52
Dennis Leary	8 62
Edward Mellen	4 95
J. D. Clair	16 13
William D. Hatch	3 32
A. Hatstat	1 60
E. C. Dudley	10 83
H. N. Bemis	58
A. Hatstat	18 80
E. Mellen	10 54
Merrill Chickering	9 00
J. M. Taylor	27 08
M. Gleason	22 50
Dennis O'Herron	16 37
J. B. Wells	1 79
Henry A. Kennen	24 16
F. G. Bartlett	11 98
Walter H. Bartlett	21 81
Henry A. Kennen	5 83
Z. Strong	12 50
George T. Baker	83
Joseph Davis	40 49
F. G. Bartlett	5 58
George E. Bigelow	3 33
T. S. Heald	9 99
Adin H. Miles	19 55
D. P. Avery	6 67
Michael Leary	4 00
H. D. Rice	1 00
C. H. Upham	36 04
Hugh Hammond	20 17
Edward Mellen	7 12
Amory T. Davis	3 83
C. Butler	19 16

W. C. Boyce	\$10 33
Herman N. Bemis	2 13
Daniel R. Wheeler	34 37
H. J. Davis	6 50
T. L. & T. F. Campbell	11 73
Michael Gleason	9 16
William D. Hatch	2 08
John N. Sargent	93 50
Ivory Wales	31 99
Adin H. Miles	6 50
C. Armstrong	4 17
James Sherwood	28 33
F. G. Bartlett	2 00
George W. Cowden	1 67
J. A. Strong	2 16
H. A. Kennen	3 25
Elijah Goulding	21 67
A. Hatstat	11 28
H. Moore	11 16
Fred. S. Hunt	8 99
John D. Clair	11 67
D. O. Leary	29 00
J. M. Taylor	13 16
Frank Strong	3 66
John W. Stenberg	2 08
Joseph Davis	10 51
Dennis Leary	1 67
S. D. & M. Chickering	10 50
Daniel R. Wheeler	23 77
Elisha Chamberlin	6 00
William H. Hammond	5 66
James Hunter	8 33
Lawson S. Brigham	7 99
Schuyler Prouty	3 83
Daniel Nihin	1 00
C. A. Upham	6 95
Frank D. Forbush	19 59
George E. Bigelow	3 33
Total	<hr/> \$953 40

HIGHWAY.

Daniel O. Leary,	\$2 25
Edward C. Allen	10 56
Ivory Wales	2 83
Henry A. Kennen	9 00
E. C. Allen	50 00

E. C. Allen	\$422 37
Henry A. Kennen	382 00
E. C. Allen	207 52
Henry A. Kennen	351 40
E. C. Allen	68 12
E. C. Allen	95 25
Henry A. Kennen	469 76
E. Wellington	5 42
George W. Cowden	53 00
E. C. Allen	187 17
Joel Stone	23 55
F. G. Bartlett	54 10
Henry A. Kennen	232 55
O. Nelson	32 65
Elbridge Acker	3 50
E. C. Allen	97 08
E. C. Allen	55 35
Henry A. Kennen	17 24
Walter B. Ware	2 07
R. B. Miles	4 71
James M. Taylor	25 66
Michael Cullen	4 33
F. G. Bartlett	4 15
Total	<hr/> \$2,873 59

NEW ROADS.

John Murphy	\$277 75
E. S. Hubbard	15 00
Sames Sherwood	496 92
Charles R. Bartlett	500 00
M. R. Moulton	196 00
M. R. Moulton	38 00
Fred. S. Hunt	100 00
N. T. Rogers	205 00
George P. Woodis	80 00
George P. Woodis	25 00
George A. Putnam	13 00
M. R. Moulton	14 00
F. G. Bartlett	12 00
T. Sibley Heald	12 00
Charles R. Bartlett	100 00
Total	<hr/> \$2,084 67

STATE AID.

B. F. Browning	\$44 00
Freeman R. Foster	28 00
B. F. Browning	8 00

B. F. Browning	\$12 00
F. R. Foster	52 00
F. R. Foster	44 00
F. R. Foster	44 00
F. R. Foster	44 00
F. R. Foster	91 00
F. R. Foster	94 00
F. R. Foster	42 00
F. R. Foster	45 00
Total	<hr/> \$548 00

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Clerk	\$30 80
Selectmen	71 00
Assessors	78 50
Overseers	51 00
School Committee	106 70
Collector and Treasurer	100 00
Constable	10 00
Sextons	56 25
Librarian	52 00
Registrars	24 50
Highways	2,873 59
Snow Bills	953 40
State Aid	548 00
Schools	2,081 95
Overseer's Orders	1,809 07
Contingent	826 56
New Roads	2,084 67
Meade Fund	1,600 00
Total	<hr/> \$12,762 26

LIST OF JURORS AS PRESENTED BY THE SELECT-
MEN FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

WALTER H. BARTLETT,	LAWTON T. HADLEY,
STEPHEN W. FAY,	WALTER A. WHEELER,
FRED. S. HUNT,	GEORGE W. HOMER,
DENNIS O'HERRON,	PAUL WHEELER,
STEPHEN P. ALLEN,	H. EDWARD WHEELER,
CHARLES R. BARTLETT,	ERA C. DUDLEY,
GEORGE W. COWDEN,	GEORGE S. GATES,
GEORGE W. HUDSON,	GEORGE W. PIERCE.

GUIDE POSTS.

In obedience to the laws of the Commonwealth, we report, in regard to Guide Posts, that they are erected in the following places :

One near E. C. Dudley's. Two at the junction of the roads leading from Barre to Paxton. One near Miles Holden's. Two near the Centre Post Office. One near the Muschopogue House. Two on Pound Hill. One near Walter H. Bartlett's. One near Benjamin Allen's. Two near Alfred Hatstat's. One near No. 1 School House. One near the J. C. Greenleaf Place. One near D. R. Wheeler's. Two near M. M. Smith's. One near the new Boston Mills. Two near Erastus Dean Place. One near Charles E. Reid's. One near Daniel Nyhin's. One near Charles R. Bartlett's Place. One near Addison Childs'.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON, { *Selectmen*
F. G. BARTLETT, { *of*
T. SIBLEY HEALD, { *Rutland.*

RUTLAND, FEBRUARY 15, 1888.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

TO THE SELECTMEN OF RUTLAND:

Having been chosen as one of the Highway Surveyors by the town of Rutland, I submit bills in detail of expenditure.

In the month of May,	\$351 40
“ “ June,	382 00
“ “ August, (extra,)	469 76
“ “ September,	232 55
“ “ October,	17 24
Total,	<hr/> \$1,452 95

Memoranda of items filed with Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY A. KENNAN.

CHAIRMAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

I have expended, as one of the Highway Surveyors of the town of Rutland, the following sums, for which I have received your orders on Treasurer:

May 17,	\$ 10 56
May 14,	50 00
July 2,	422 37
July	207 52
August 6,	68 12
September 3,	95 25
October 11,	187 17
November	97 08
December 4,	55 35
	<hr/> \$1,193 42
One-half amount of Appropriation,	\$750 00
Amount expended for Repairs,	443 42
	<hr/> \$1,193 42

Other repairs have been made in my district, bills for which have been approved by me and paid out by you, for which you have vouchers.

E. C. ALLEN, HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

OF THE

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY,

OF RUTLAND.

GENTLEMEN :

The following is the financial account of the Library for the past year :

Appropriation by the Town, the Dog Fund	\$175 16	
Balance from last year	80	
Amount of fines for keeping books overtime	3 25	
		\$179 21

EXPENDED.

Paid for sign for library	\$ 2 50	
Making shelves	2 80	
one hundred and eighteen new books	102 62	
postage, freight and express on books	2 04	
salary of librarian	52 00	
		\$161 96
Leaving a balance in hands of Committee		\$17 25

By the generosity of Hon. John E. Russell, principally, and others, there has been about forty books and reports given to the Library the past year, which makes the whole number of books one thousand, four hundred and ninety-seven, (1,497), besides a number of volumes of reports that have not been put upon the catalogue.

Number of books taken out for the past year, two thousand, and fourteen, (2,014), but owing to the fact that sometimes a book taken out is read by two or three families before it is returned, probably the Library should have the credit of two thousand, five

hundred (2,500), and perhaps more. This is all well enough, if the books are not damaged. Your committee think it would be well to have a new catalogue prepared and printed, as the old ones are pretty nearly gone, and would recommend that the copies be sold to those that want them at cost, and then they would not be destroyed so soon. We would also renew the remarks and recommendations of former reports.

The titles of the new books are as follows :

No. 1357	A Century of Electricity,	<i>T. C. Mendenhall</i>
1358	Tom Sawyer,	<i>Mark Twain</i>
1359	Huckleberry Finn,	<i>Mark Twain</i>
1360	Old Times in the Colonies,	<i>C. C. Coffin</i>
1361	The Boys of '61,	<i>C. C. Coffin</i>
1362	The Boy Travelers in Russian Empire,	<i>T. W. Knox</i>
1363-5	The Civil War in America,	<i>B. J. Lossing</i>
1366	The Age of Fable, or Beauties of Mythology,	<i>T. Bulfinch</i>
1367	The Age of Chivalry, or King Arthur and his Knights,	<i>T. Bulfinch</i>
1368	The Legends of Charlemayne, or Romance of the Middle Ages,	<i>T. Bulfinch</i>
1369	The Story of Ancient Egypt,	<i>G. Rawlinson</i>
1370	Due North,	<i>M. M. Ballou</i>
1371	Due South,	<i>M. M. Ballou</i>
1372	Due West,	<i>M. M. Ballou</i>
1373-5	Bjornsons Works,	
1376	Forced Acquaintances,	<i>Edith Robinson</i>
1377	The Queen of Sheba,	<i>T. B. Aldrich</i>
1378	The Fair God,	<i>Lew Wallace</i>
1379	Ben Hur,	<i>Lew Wallace</i>
1380	Agnes Surriage,	<i>E. L. Bynner</i>
1381	The Making of New England,	<i>Samuel A. Drake</i>
1382	The Story of a New York House,	<i>H. C. Bunner</i>
1383	The Midge,	<i>H. C. Bunner</i>
1384	In Ole Virginia,	<i>T. N. Page</i>
1385	Cudjoes Cave,	<i>J. T. Trowbridge</i>
1386	Lights and Shadows of a Life,	<i>M. V. Dahlgren</i>
1387	The Female Spy,	<i>S. E. E. Edwards</i>
1388	Yesterdays with Authors,	<i>J. T. Fields</i>
1389	Our Country,	<i>Rev. J. Strong</i>
1390	The Captain of the Janizaries,	<i>J. M. Ludlow</i>
1391	Juanita,	<i>Mary Mann</i>
1392	The Two Elsie's,	<i>Martha Finley</i>
1393	Foul Play,	<i>Charles Reade</i>
1394-1417	Sir Walter Scott's Novels, 24 Vols.	
1418-23	J. Fenimore Cooper's, Do. 6 Vols.	

No. 1424	The Young Miner,	<i>H. Alger</i>
1425	The Young Explorer,	<i>H. Alger</i>
1426	Ben's Nugget,	<i>H. Alger</i>
1427	Sowed by the Wind,	<i>E. Kellogg</i>
1428	Black Rifle's Mission,	<i>E. Kellogg</i>
1429	Forest Glen,	<i>E. Kellogg</i>
1430	Burying the Hatchet,	<i>E. Kellogg</i>
1431	Maryland, Am. Commonwealth Series,	<i>W. H. Browne</i>
1432	California, " " "	<i>J. Royce</i>
1433-4	New York, " " "	<i>E. H. Roberts</i>
1435	Connecticut " " "	<i>E. Johnston</i>
1436	Poverty Grass,	<i>L. C. Wyman</i>
1437	The Devil's Hat,	<i>Melville Phillips</i>
1438	The Golden Justice,	<i>W. H. Bishop</i>
1439	Louie's Last Term,	<i>M. C. Harris</i>
1440	Rutledge,	<i>M. C. Harris</i>
1441	Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde,	<i>R. L. Stevenson</i>
1442	Boys Heros,	<i>E. E. Hale</i>
1443	Barbara Heathcote's Trials'	<i>R. N. Casy</i>
1444	The Shaybacks in Camp,	<i>Rev. S. J. Barrows</i>
1445	On the Threshold,	<i>T. T. Munger</i>
1446	Atla, Story of the Lost Island,	<i>Mrs. J. G. Smith</i>
1447	In the Wrong Paradise,	<i>Andrew Lang</i>
1448	Rudder Grange,	<i>F. R. Stockton</i>
1449	What Katy Did,	<i>Susan Coolidge</i>
1450	What Katy Did at Sceool,	<i>Susan Coolidge</i>
1451	What Katy Did Next,	<i>Susan Coolidge</i>
1452	House of a Merchant Prince,	<i>W. H. Bishop</i>
1453	Castle Nowhere,	<i>C. F. Woolson</i>
1454	Lob-Lie-by the Fire, etc.	<i>Mrs. J. H. Ewing</i>
1455	A Demigod,	
1466	Two Gentlemen of Gotham,	<i>C. & C.</i>
1457	A Little Country Girl,	<i>S. Coolidge</i>
1458	Anne,	<i>C. F. Woolson</i>
1459-60	The Bride of the Nile,	<i>George Ebers</i>
1461	Deephaven,	<i>S. O. Jewett</i>
1462	Us,	<i>Mrs. Molesworth</i>
1463	A Woman's Inheritance,	<i>A. M. Douglas</i>
1464	Joe's Boys,	<i>L. M. Alcott</i>
1465-74	Chamber's Encyclopedia, 10 Vols.	
1475	The Adventures of Mr. Verdant Green,	<i>Cuthbert Bede</i>
1476	Records of a Pleasant Journey,	<i>Julia W. Howe</i>
1477	Mind and Heart in Religion,	<i>Abraham Jaeger</i>
1478	Fables of La. Fontaine,	
1479	Dream Life,	<i>I. K. Marvel</i>
1480	Cecil Dreeme,	<i>Theodore Winthrop</i>
1481	An Arctic Boat Journey,	<i>I. I. Hayes</i>
1482	Report of the Army of the Potomac,	<i>Gen. G. B. McClellan</i>

- No. 1483 The Land of the Cezar and Doge, *Wm. Furniss*
 1484 The Potiphar Papers, *G. Wm. Curtis*
 1485 The White Horse of Wooton, *C. J. Foster*
 1486 Illustrated History of the Panama Railroad, *F. N. Otis*
 1487 The Story of Metlakhtla, *H. S. Welcome*
 1488 Merchant's and Mechanic's Assistant, *I. R. Butts*
 1489 Artimus Ward, his travels, *C. R. Brown*
 1490 Boylston Centennial, 1786-1886,
 1491 Medicine of the Future, *Dr. Austin Flint*
 1492 Consular Reports, cattle and dairy farming,
 1493 The Study of History, *H. B. Adams*
 1494 Life of P. T. Barnum, new,
 1495 Trial of Thos. W. Piper, for Murder,
 1496 Dedication of Memorial Library and Grand Army
 Hall at Manchester-by-the-Sea,
 1497 Life and Character of Hon. Thomas A. Hendricks,

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE S. DODGE,
 LAWTON T. HADLEY, } *Library*
 GEORGE A. PUTNAM, } *Committee.*

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for 1887:

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE BIRTH.
Ida Louisa Baker,	George T. and Annie E. Baker,	Apr. 22, 1886
Alice Edna Duby,	Francis and Matilda A. Duby,	Sep. 16, "
Emma Jane Ackley,	Orin J. and Annie R. Ackley,	Jan. 5, 1887
—— Chickering,	Harlow S. and Alice A. Chickering.	Feb. 6, "
Myron Cleaveland Potter,	Myron D. and Flora L. Potter,	Mar. 5, "
Egbert Lionell Bliss,	Henry C. and Harriet M. W. Bliss,	" 16, "
Bessie Howe Bartlett,	Walter H. and S. Frances Bartlett,	Apr. 9, "
Alice Eliza McGann,	Owen W. and Catherine McGann,	" 26, "
Annie Louise Bartley,	Eugene and Margaret E. Bartley,	May 16, "
Lulu Eva Child,	Addison and Susie E. Child,	" 26, "
Mary Louise Valentine Bressett,	Joseph and Celia L. Bressett,	June 21, "
May Belle Brigham,	Noah and Masalene R. Brigham,	" 27, "
Jessie Viola Moulton,	John W. and May Belle Moulton,	Aug. 5, "
Katie Agnes Reynolds,	James and Ellen A. Reynolds,	" 28, "
Leon Joseph Young,	Charles H. and Etta M. Young,	Sep. 6, "
Lina Louise Chamberlin,	Dr. Wm. E. and Chloe M. Chamberlin,	" 19, "
Harold Frederick Fay,	George A. and S. Maude Fay,	Oct. 2, "
Anastasia Cullens,	Michael and Margaret F. Cullens,	" 16, "
—— Clark,	J. Edmund and Louisa S. Clark,	" 22, "
Edith Marrion Cheever,	Frank L. and Charlotte L. Cheever,	" 25, "
Florence May Moore,	James S. and Anna L. Moore,	Nov. 13, "
Clarence William Griffin,	John H. and Jennie E. Griffin,	" 15, "
George Gillespie,	Frank L. and Julia M. Gillespie,	" 15, "
Eva Maria Butler,	Charles H. and Lillah Jane Butler,	Dec. 1, "
Gertrude Rebecca Hunt,	Fred. S. and Abbie R. G. Hunt,	" 5, "

MARRIAGES.

Jan. 1, 1887,	James Reynolds and Ellen Agnes Canty, both of Rutland.
March 1, "	Benj. Franklin Foster and Mary Luella Luce, both of Rutland.
April 10, "	Warren Goddard Wales and Alice Maria Pratt, both of Rutland.
" 18, "	Byron Winfred Bates of Thompson, Ct. and Sarah Oella Moulton of Rutland.
" 28, "	Paul Wheeler and Helen Elizabeth Deane both of Rutland.
" 30, "	Louis Morris Hanff and Frances Isabella Putnam, both of Rutland.
" 30, "	Wm. AtLee Putnam and Mary Jane Donaldson, both of Worcester.
May 9, "	Albert C. Buttrick and Teresa Corbett, both of Worcester.
" 29, "	Joseph Wm. Gallagher and Etta Lydia Allen, both of Rutland.
June 9, "	Walter Adams Wheeler of Rutland and Mary Anna King of Sutton.
" 15, "	George Elsworth Leadbetter of Rutland and Nellie Eugenia Brewer of Ludlow.
Sept. 26, "	Geo. W. Fay and Abbie M. Sawtelle, both of Rutland.
Oct. 2, "	Barzillia Martin Sawyer of Rutland and Lois Mundall of Hubbardston.
Nov. 1, "	William M. Presho and Jennie E. Davis, both of Oakham.
" 24, "	Edgar Stephen Hubbard and Sarah Frances Miles, both of Rutland.
" 24, "	Alwin F. Graton of Holden and Jennie Elmira Gates of Rutland.

DEATHS.

DATE.	NAMES.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
1887.		yrs.	mo.	days.	
Jan. 10,	Perley Nelson Hatstat,	3	11		Died very suddenly.
" 26,	Mrs. Persis Jones Taylor,	84	10	16	Old age.
Feb. 10,	Mrs. Julia W. Greenleaf,	79	7	11	Cancer of stomach.
" 11,	Chickering,			5	Weakness.
Mar. 2,	Robert Demond,		11	26	Capillary bronchitis.
Apr. 11,	Mrs. Adeline Parker Case,	69	2	9	Fat around the heart.
May 18,	Mrs. Emily F. Allen,	84	3		Old age.
" 24,	David Woods Fletcher,	84	7	7	Old age.
" 28,	Egbert Lionell Bliss,		2	12	Measles.
June 11,	John Parker Forbush,	74	1		Suicide.
" 11,	Mrs. Esther E. Jordan,	57	10	21	Apoplexy.
" 16,	Otis Blaney Palmer,	61	1		Apoplexy.
July 6,	Simeon A. Brittan,	75	11	21	Pneumonia and paralysis of
" 10,	Edith Eliza Forbes,	1	2	20	Cerebral meningitis. [heart.
Aug. 9,	William T. Smith,		5	18	Cholera Infantum.
" 14,	Jonas Brooks,	88	2	10	Old age.
Sept. 17,	Michael Hannigan,	52			Peritonitis.
" 23,	Alanson Farrington,	79			Old age.
Oct. 19,	Chester F. Chickering,	20		17	Consumption.
" 22,	Clark,				5 hours. Weakness.
Nov. 10,	Mrs. Mary L. Goulding,	40	6		Chronic diarrhoea and gastritis.
Dec. 3,	Joseph Owen McGann,	1	8	26	Scarlatina.
" 21,	William J. Stearns,	50	3	18	Apoplexy.
" 24,	Mrs. Catherine A. Fay,	55	11	9	Pneumonia.
" 25,	Henry H. Humphrey,	47	9		Broncho pneumonia.

The following-named persons, formerly residents of this town, were brought here for burial.

1886.					
Aug. 19,	Charles Willis Hapgood,	17	4	3	
Oct. 3,	Robert Francis Hapgood,	19	11	26	
1887.					
Jan. 15,	Moses Smith,	71	1	23	Organic disease of heart and
Feb. 28,	Mrs. Mary L. G. Temple,	35	5	29	Apoplexy. [Dropsy.
Aug. 18,	Mrs. Sarah Hubbard,	85	8	21	Old age.
Sept. 6,	Mrs. Rebecca B. Bryant,	84	4	15	Apoplexy.
" 20,	Nathaniel K. Armington,	77	5	11	Pneumonia.
" 22,	Dr. C. C. Slocomb,	63	1	16	Cholera morbus.
Nov. 19,	Mrs. Lucia E. Hapgood,	41	6	26	

Number of Dogs licensed in 1887 was

87 male dogs @ \$2,

9 female dogs @ \$5,

\$174 00

45 00

— \$219 00

Fees for registration,

19 20

Paid to County Treasurer,

\$199 80

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, TOWN CLERK.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

FELLOW CITIZENS:

Your Committee recognizing the fact that they are the guardians of your dearest interest, and that as such they are responsible to you for the manner in which they execute their trust, deem it not less due to you than becoming to them that they make you at least an annual report, even though the statute did not require it.

When we compare our plans for the good of our schools with their execution, and our hopes with their realization, we are both gratified and disappointed; gratified that much commendable work has been done, and disappointed that in any case and for any cause success has not been marked,—for at that we aimed.

Contrary to our hopes in the direction of consolidating some of our schools, we have supported schools in all our school houses, both summer and winter. In each, with one exception, the sessions conformed to minimum limit of the State Law, viz:—six months. The exception was No. 3 School, where an epidemic of measles in the summer term and a few cases of scarlatina in the winter, compelled us to reduce the number of weeks of school from twenty-four to twenty-two. This deficit of two weeks will be added to the next term, if circumstances favor.

Early in the year we caused to be placed in our school houses large wall maps, and we believe it is due largely to this fact that there has been an increased interest in the study of history and geography in our schools during the past year. The proficiency attained by some of the classes in these branches being all that could be expected, if not all that could be desired.

The work in arithmetic and writing, also, has been satisfactory, many classes in the former, evincing under examination, ability to perform practical work outside of the text book, and a knowledge of business forms alike creditable to themselves and their instructors.

The success in grammar and reading has not been so marked, there being an evident distaste in the minds of a majority of our pupils for the former, and in the latter a desire to use books unsuited to their capacity. It is a common thing to find classes using the fourth reader who are hardly competent to use the third.

Careful and competent supervision on the part of the Committee would do much to remedy this fault did your Committee feel warranted to spend so much time in the school room, but under our present system, or lack of it, much must be left to the discretion of the teachers, and it is just here that experience and sound judgment on their part go a long way in determining real progress in our schools.

Those parents who tell their children that there is no use in studying grammar, do very unwisely, and, in our opinion, are mainly responsible for the distaste in the minds of the pupils just alluded to.

Can any one question the importance that our children be taught to speak, read and write the English Language correctly?

The pupils who go out of our public schools, should not only be able to think clearly, but to understand the discourse of others and to express their own thoughts with purity and precision; and to our mind no attainment in other branches can properly take the place of this.

In the report of last year your Committee expressed the opinion that a course of study, with suitable gradations, prepared especially to meet the needs of our common schools would be of advantage. So thoroughly convinced of the necessity of such a plan are we today that early in the coming year a move will be made in this direction.

It was a comparatively easy matter to prepare a course of study, but to select *the* one best adapted to the needs of small ungraded schools like ours requires intimate knowledge of the capabilities and actual attainments of the pupils, and such familiarity it has been our aim to acquire during the past year.

It is a matter earnestly to be wished that we could give our children better school advantages. Three terms of ten weeks each is none too much, and, it seems to us to be the least we ought to have, but this would necessitate nearly one-fourth additional expense under the present arrangement of supporting ten schools.

It is not difficult to understand how much the long vacations of three months each interfere with the habits of study and retard the progress of our pupils. Indeed it is a matter of wonder that so favorable a record can be made and as much interest developed as we often see.

But if we cannot have longer terms of school, and that is a matter that you, Fellow Citizens, in your wisdom must decide, allow us to suggest that both on the part of parents and pupils every effort be made to reap the full benefit of the opportunities we have.

It may seem to some a slight thing to keep a child out of school two weeks at the beginning of the term, to work, but he will not recover from it during the term, and the injury is not confined to him but affects the whole school as well. It is the intention of your Committee to see to it that every child in town, of school age, is in school during the whole of the school year. Will you aid us in this matter by having your children there?

Again, we can supplement the work of our schools by providing suitable, entertaining and instructive reading during vacations, and we have a library, free to all, which if wisely used will afford such opportunity.

Once more, an entering into "society," so called, at an early age distracts many a boy or girl and entirely incapacitates them for solid intellectual work. Those great men whose "Lives" remind us we can make our lives sublime," did not gather their philosophy at the village store, nor acquire their elegance of diction in the public street.

No, let us the rather put our boys and girls—and let us still call them boys and girls—*en rapport* with nature listening to her multifarious voices so calculated to instruct and develop the human mind and so elevating to the moral nature. Then, when the proper time arrives they will, without doubt, find their proper place in society and be able to hold that position to their own credit and to the honor of the Commonwealth.

SCHOOL STATISTICS FOR 1887-8.

No. of pupils enrolled in School Registers,	257
No. between five and fifteen,	215
No. between eight and fourteen,	138
No. over fifteen,	39
No. under five,	3
No. of non-residents,	6
No. of minors in town, May 1, 1887, between eight and fourteen years of age,	114
No. between five and fifteen,	170

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

 RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriations,	\$1800 00	
State Fund,	313 41	
	<hr/>	\$2113 41

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' Salaries for current year,	\$1763 00	
Fuel and Janitors,	159 84	
Books and Supplies,	139 42	
	<hr/>	\$2062 26

CONTINGENT.

Repairs on School Houses,	\$19 64
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SUMMER TERM.

SCHOOLS.	No. of Weeks.	Whole number of Pupils.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Cases of Tardiness.	No. not Tardy or Absent.	Wages of Teacher per Month.	No. of Visitors.
Centre Primary..	12	34	29.70	24.40	7	6	\$36	11
No. 1,	12	15	14.	13.12	7	3	24	8
No. 2,	12	11	11.	10.50	13	5	24	15
No. 3,	10	17	10.67	5.33	1	0	26	4
No. 4,	12	19	18.50	17.20	13	0	26	13
No. 5,	12	27	25.62	21.04	21	2	28	16
No. 6,	12	14	12.66	12.50	11	0	26	15
No. 7,	12	19	12.66	9.33	11	0	24	23
No. 8,	12	15	14.	13.40	0	7	24	6
No. 9,	12	15	12.33	11.00	31	1	24	10

WINTER TERM.

Centre Primary..	12	28	25.91	24.15	2	7	\$36	15
No. 1,	12	17	15.08	14.45	12	3	26	9
No. 2,	12	11	10.66	10.25	53	0	28	11
No. 3,	12	19	12.66	11.50	6	0	26	5
No. 4,	12	17	15.07	14.00	39	0	28	16
No. 5,	12	38	34.41	31.32	12	5	28	24
No. 6,	12	18	16.	14.25	11	0	28	18
No. 7,	12	22	17.	14.33	15	0	28	5
No. 8,	12	17	16.16	15.00	31	1	28	9
No. 9,	12	13	13.	12.33	52	2	26	6
Centre Graded ..	12	33	30.16	27.41	32	1	50	15

NAMES OF TEACHERS, WAGES, ETC.

SCHOOLS.	TERMS.	TEACHERS.	Amount of Wages.
Centre	} Summer,	Marcia P. Hill,	\$108.
Primary,	} Winter,	Marcia P. Hill,	108.
No. 1,.....	Summer,	Lizzie E. Holden,	72.
.....	Winter,	Lizzie E. Holden,	78.
No. 2,.....	Summer,	Mary A. Leamy,	72.
.....	Winter,	Minnie G. Harrington,	78.
No. 3,.....	Summer,	Maria E. Williams,	65.
.....	Winter,	Olive M. Barnes,	78.
No. 4,.....	Summer,	Etta L. Miles,	78.
.....	Winter,	Louise A. Stockdale,	84.
No. 5,.....	Summer,	Henrietta L. Senter,	84.
.. ..	Winter,	Alice M. Wales,	84.
No. 6,.....	Summer,	Harriet L. Brewster,	78.
.....	Winter,	Lulu L. Clark,	84.
No. 7,.....	Summer,	Bessie M. Edmands,	72.
.....	Winter,	Lilian A. Procter,	84.
No. 8,.. ..	Summer,	Anna Dean,	72.
.....	Winter,	Alfred E. Upham,	84.
No. 9,.....	Summer,	Mary S. Lyman,	72.
.....	Winter,	Mary S. Lyman,	78.
Centre Graded,		Walter A. Wheeler,	150.
			\$1763.
Cost of Fuel, and Janitors' bills,			\$159.84

ROLL OF HONOR.

Below is a list of those scholars who, by the constancy and punctuality of their attendance, deserve honorable mention. The list is compiled on the basis of excusing one day's non-attendance, and one tardy mark. A star before the name indicates those so excused.

NOTE. In comparing this list with that of last year, allowance must be made for the prevalence of the measles, some schools for that reason being without representation.

CENTRE GRADED SCHOOL.

Winter Term.

Lucy C. Dodge,
*Mary A. Putnam,
*Clinton W. Putnam,

*Bertie D. Smith.
*Fred. F. Cowden,

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Frank F. Dana,
Bertha A. Taylor,
Jessie I. Taylor,
Lizzie M. Putnam,
Etta L. Putnam,
*Willie Demond,
Mary Demond.

Winter Term.

Albert Putnam,
Bertie Bartlett,
Mendal Browning,
Jesse Taylor,
Lottie Browning,
Etta Putnam,
Lizzie Putnam,
*Nellie Pierce,
*Willie Demond,
*Frank Dana.

No. 1 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Norma Wilder,
Lillie Wilson,
Harry Wilson,
*Ellis Wilson,

Winter Term.

Lillie Wilson,
Arthur Davis,
Harry Wilson,
*Ellis Wilson.

No. 2 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Jennie Campbell,
Katie Hammond,
Hannah Hammond,
Mary Miller,
Charles Campbell.

Winter Term.

*Katie Hammond,
*Hannah Hammond,
*Mabel Heald,
*Arthur Heald.

No. 3 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Winter Term.

No. 4 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

*Lucy Dodge,
*Flora Sanderson,
*Arthur Dodge,
*Clarence Dodge.

Winter Term.

*Arthur Dodge,
*Clarence Dodge,
*Sadie Bemis.

No. 5 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

*Vara Stearns,
May Stearns,
May Cullen,
Bertha Stearns.

Winter Term.

Caltha Charter,
Francis Bliss,
Lewis Moore,
Earnest Bliss,
Timothy Cane,
*Walter Charter.

No. 6 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Winter Term.

Cora Dudley,
*May L. Kennen.

No. 7 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Winter Term.

John McGrath,
Martin McGrath.

*Charles Ware,
*Grace Ware.

No. 8 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

Mary O'Herron,
 *Maude Moore,
 Joseph Bigelow,
 Leslie Moore,
 *Roland Moore,
 Dennis O'Herron,
 Belle Nelson,
 Jessie Nelson,
 Bertie Nelson.

Winter Term.

*Leslie Moore,
 *Roland Moore,
 *Fred Moore,
 Maude Moore.

No. 9 SCHOOL.

Summer Term.

*Helen Lyman,
 Samuel Moulton.

Winter Term.

Rosa Woodis,
 Mercy Upham,
 *Helen Lyman,
 *Samuel Moulton.
 Timothy Lyman,

Whole number of names on Record, 69

Perfect for the year, 17

Respectfully submitted,



WALTER A. WHEELER,
 C. R. BARTLETT,
 WM. C. TEMPLE,

School Committee of Rutland.



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SELECTMEN :

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TOWN CLERK, TREASURER AND COLLECTOR :

GEORGE A. PUTNAM.

OVERSEERS OF POOR:

DAVID F. SMITH, HENRY A. KENNON, E. C. DUDLEY.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS:

HENRY A. KENNON, E. C. ALLEN.

CONSTABLES:

GEORGE S. PUTNAM, LAWTON T. HADLEY,
JOHN W. ADAMS, JOSEPH M. MOULTON.
M. R. MOULTON.

SEXTON:

GEORGE S. PUTNAM.

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GEORGE A. PUTNAM, L. T. HADLEY, MRS. GEO. B. MUNROE.

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Mrs. FREEMAN R. FOSTER.

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GEORGE A. PUTNAM, CALEB A. WARE,
LYMAN F. PARTRIDGE, ADDISON CHILDS,
CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

FENCE VIEWERS:

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, GEORGE S. PUTNAM, JOHN B. KING.

WARRANT

FOR

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 4, 1889.

WORCESTER, SS. To EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES of the Town
of Rutland.

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Rutland, on Monday, the fourth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit :

1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To see if the Town will accept the Reports of the Town Officers for the past year, or act thereon.
4. To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.
5. To determine the manner of Repairing the Highways, and making them passable when encumbered with snow.
6. To see if the Treasurer shall be Collector of Taxes, and to determine the compensation of the Treasurer and Collector.
7. To see what sums of money the Town will raise for the support of the Public Schools ; for Repairs on the Highways ; for the support of the Poor ; for Lighting the Street Lamps ; for use Memorial day ; for Contingent Expenses and paying Debts, and appropriate the same.
8. To see if the Town will accept the List of Jurors, as presented by the Selectmen.

9. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town, under the direction of the Selectmen.

10. To see what interest shall be paid on Taxes not paid in a specified time.

11. To vote by Ballot, Yes, or No, in answer to the Question, Shall License be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town.

12. To see what method the Town will adopt to have the Town House taken care of for the ensuing year.

13. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the Miles road, which has been discontinued by a vote of the Town.

14. To see what method the Town will adopt for digging and filling Graves, and attending funerals with the Hearse, the ensuing year.

15. To see if the Town will purchase a new Road Machine, or act thereon.

16. To see if the Town will instruct their Assessors to abate any Taxes in the hands of their Collector.

17. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee to provide transportation for children of school age to and from school houses remote from their homes, and make appropriation to carry the same into effect, or act thereon.

18. To see what action the Town will take relative to brush growing within the limits of the highways.

19. To determine the manner of warning future meetings.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to the vote of said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

LIST OF VOTERS.

A

Adams, John
Adams, John W.
Avery, David P.
Allen, Benjamin
Allen, Charles W.
Allen, Stephen P.
Allen, Edward C.
Armitage, George
Acker, Elbridge
Allen, Walter F.

B

Bartlett, Francis G.
Bartlett, Charles R.
Bartlett, Walter H.
Brooks, Volney E.
Bigelow, J. Warren
Browning, B. Franklin
Browning, George P.
Bond, Thomas
Baker, Lyman A.
Baker, Abel
Baker, Edwin H.
Bemis, Herman N.
Brigham, Lawson S.
Bigelow, George E.
Buttrick, John B.
Bliss, Henry C.
Baker, George T.
Bigelow, F. Carter
Bartley, Eugene
Brown, Daniel A.
Brown, Arthur F.

C

Clark, J. Edmund
Chickering, Samuel D.
Chickering, Merrill
Cahoon, George
Cahoon, George P.

Cody, Richard
Cowden, George W.
Campbell, Thomas L.
Childs, Addison
Cronk, William
Converse, Henry
Chickering, Otis N.
Conlin, James
Cheever, Frank L.
Charter, Andrew S.
Conner, Daniel M.
Chamberlin, Wm. E.
Connor, Wm. E.

D

Davis, H. Jones
Davis, Joseph
Davis, John C.
Demond, Daniel
Damon, Galen P.
Delehanty, Patrick
Dudley, Era C.
Dodge, George S.
Davis, George M.
Dana, Charles H.
Davis, Henry B.
Dodge, Chester W.
Dudley, Ira G.

F

Forbush, Frank D.
Fletcher, Stillman J.
Foster, Freeman R.
Fay, Stephen W.
Fay, George A.
Fairbanks, Oliver C.
Fisher, Alvan B.
Foster, James R.
Foster, B. Franklin
Foster, John W.
Fay, George W.

G

Gates, George A.
Gates, George S.
Gleason, Dennis
Gleason, Michael
Griffin, John H.
Graton, John F.
Gillespie, Frank L.

H

Holden, Miles
Homer, George W.
Hastat. Alfred
Hunt, Fred. S.
Hatch, William D.
Hudson, George W.
Hunter, James
Hammond, William H.
Hadley, Lawton T.
Hadley, James H.
Healey, William E.
Heald, T. Sibley
Hunter, William J.
Hanff, Louis M.
Hammond, Hugh
Hubbard, Edgar S.
Holden, George L.
Hooker, Charles
Hapgood, Francis

J

Jordan, Amasa
Jordan, Charles L.

K

King, John B.
King, Horace
Kennen, Henry A.
Kennen, Myron J.
Kelley, John

L

Lane, Elbridge
Lane, Calvin
Leary, Daniel
Leary, Michael
Loughman, Michael
Leary, John E.
Lawless, John T.
Leary, Dennis

M

Miles, Rufus B.
Muzzy, Edmund
Munroe, James L.
Munroe, John W.
Munroe, George B.
Meade, Elias F.
Moulton, Menzies R.
Moore, Henry
Mellen, Edward
Metcalf, John R.
McCarthy, Daniel
Miles, Joseph
Moulton, Joseph M.
Miles, George H.
Murphy, John
Moulton, J. Warren

O

O'Herron, Dennis
Oliver, Hiram B.

P

Putnam, George A.
Putnam, George S.
Prescott, Sylvester
Prescott, William W.
Prescott, Roland C.
Prescott, Walter H.
Prescott, Edwin S.
Pierce, Andrew J.
Peirce, Charles
Peirce, Frank E.
Peirce, George W.
Prouty, Schuyler
Prouty, Edward J.

Pratt, Albert B.
Preston, Edward F.
Putney, Giles F.
Putnam, Daniel C.
Powers, Edward
Putnam, David F.
Potter, Myron D.
Partridge, Lyman F.

R

Reid, Charles E.
Reid, Albert A.
Rogers, N. Taylor
Rice, Henry D.
Reynolds, Frank
Reynolds, Frank, Jr.
Rice, James J.

S

Sawyer, B. Martin
Sawyer, Rufus A.
Smith, David F.
Smith, M. Myron
Skinner, J. Milo
Scott, Ebenezer W.
Sargent, John N.
Sargent, George R. N.
Stone, Charles A.
Stearns, Levi H.
Sargent, Newton I.
Spooner, Daniel
Strong, Zebulon
Strong, Zebulon, Jr.
Sughrue, James
Seaverns, Samson
Stone, E. Eugene
Spaulding, Lorenzo Q.
Smith, Dennis A.
Strong, Joseph A.
Stone, Joel
Sargent, Luther
Strong, Amos
Smith, Horace E.
Strong, Francis
Spooner, Charles A.
Sweeney, Edward

T

Temple, William C.
Taylor, Simeon D.
Taylor, James M.
Taylor, George M.

U

Upham, Charles H.
Upham, Alfred E.

W

Wheeler, Paul
Wheeler, H. Edward
Wheeler, Daniel R.
Woodis, George P.
Wells, John B.
Wellington, O. Clark
Wellington, Ebenezer
Wales, Ivory
Wesson, Cyrus H.
Ware, Caleb A.
Welch, Thomas
Woodbury, Arthur P.
Wales, Warren G.
Wheeler, Walter A.
Ware, Josiah F.
Welch, William J.
Welch, John J.
Ware, Walter B.
Williams, Arthur J.
White, James

Y

Young, Charles H.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Schedule of Property, as Appraised by the Overseers,

FEBRUARY 14, 1889.

Real Estate,	\$2,500 00
Farming tools and household furniture,	700 00
2 horses,	275 00
1 yearling,	15 00
10 cows,	300 00
2 shoats,	30 00
11 tons English hay,	176 50
3 tons meadow hay,	18 00
30 fowls,	19 50
40 bushels corn,	20 00
Grass seed,	5 00
2 bushels beans,	5 00
60 bushels potatoes,	33 00
Garden vegetables,	10 00
Apples,	4 00
11 barrels vinegar and cider,	60 00
Salt pork,	40 00
Salt beef,	10 00
Lard and butter,	10 00
Tallow and candles,	4 00
Pickles and sauce,	10 00
Flour and crackers,	9 00
Soap and salt,	6 00
Spices and cream tartar,	1 00
Sugar and molasses,	5 00
Lumber,	20 00
Barb wire,	8 00—\$4,294 00

SUMMARY OF EXPENSE AT ALMSHOUSE.

Interest on real and personal estate, appraised

February 14th, 1888, at 6% on \$4,247.95, \$254 88

Salary of Warden for year ending April, 1889, 375 00

Bought Flour, meal and crackers, 296 56

Groceries, 196 32

Meat and fish, 76 01

Cloth, yarn and thread, 10 00

Tin, earthen and glass ware, 13 14

Tobacco and pipes, 6 30

Boots and shoes, 7 10

Smithing, 26 05

Farming tools, 36 00

Stock keeping and use of same, 26 74

One horse, 125 00

Grass and other seeds, 3 52

Lime and phosphate, 38 00

Labor, 249 90

Repairing buildings, 24 69

Medical attendance, 25 50

Hay 16 50

Furniture, 34 85

Repairing water pipe, 1 00

Sargent & Son, for harnesses, 50 00

W. Wales, for potatoes, 14 25

E. E. Dana, for wagon, 30 00—\$1937 31

SUMMARY OF INCOME AT ALMSHOUSE.

Sold Butter and cream, \$245 84

Calves, 43 14

Eggs and poultry, 28 09

Stock and use of same, 166 50

Beef and pork, 12 06

Lumber, 3 10

Vinegar, 21 92

Vegetables, 30 75

Furniture, 11 26

Rec'd from Eugene Browning for Davis Browning, 25 72

" " Brooks Bros, for R. J. Brooks, 85 00

Increase in appraisal of property, 47 05—\$ 720 43

Net expenses at Farm,

\$1,216 88

The following persons have been supported at the Almshouse the past year, ending Feb. 14, 1889 :

Charles Newton,	age 76,	weeks 52,	
Moses Clark,	78,	" 52,	
Asa Lakin,	88,	" 52,	
Mrs. Lakin,	85,	" 52,	
Davis Browning,	84,	" 11,	died April 30.
Asahel Preston,	81,	" 52,	
Mrs. W. O. Smith,	61,	" 52,	
Lucy Sawyer,	77,	" 52,	
R. J. Brooks,	77,	" 33,	died Oct. 2.
Harry Leonard,	8,	" 46,	
John Adams,	38,	" 6,	
John Kelly,		" 2,	
Tramps,	84	" 12,	

Whole number of weeks board, 474

Cost per week, \$2.57

TOWN ORDERS FOR 1888 and 1889.

March 3,	The Town of Oakham, for Wm. Mundell family,	\$75 00
" 5,	Joseph Davis, for Mrs Lyman Wilson,	5 25
April 2,	Clifton Parkhurst, for salary,	171 00
" 2,	Order to settle accounts,	265 51
" 7,	E. C. Dudley, for 1000 lbs. of meal,	14 00
" " "	" extension table,	7 00
" " "	" expense of moving Mundell family,	21 00
"	Clifton Parkhurst, for clothes-wringer, tub & bucket,	3 35
"	Hospital bill,	42 25
May 4,	Dennis Leary, for labor,	16 00
" 19,	E. C. Dudley, for phosphate,	36 00
" " "	difference between cows,	12 00
" " "	cask of lime and hair,	2 00
" 26,	Sargent & Son, for harnesses,	50 00
June 2,	E. E. Dana, for groceries and Meal,	76 15
" 2,	Joseph Aldridge, for plastering and papering,	15 00
" 6,	Henry Ruiter, for salary,	45 00
" 16,	Joseph Davis, flour for Mrs. Wilson,	5 50
" 25,	Warren Wales, for potatoes,	14 25
"	E. E. Dana, for goods and Meal,	41 00
July 11,	Hospital bill,	42 25
June 21,	Expense of transporting A. Sherron to Tewksbury,	4 30
July 4,	E. E. Dana, for goods,	41 68

Sept. 3,	Henry Ruiter, for salary,	\$48 75
"	E. E. Dana, for goods,	32 23
"	" " " 1 wagon,	30 00
"	Dr. Chamberlain, for Andrew Sherron,	5 50
"	" " " Chas. Newton,	7 50
"	" " " John Kelley,	7 50
"	" " " Mrs. Lakin,	10 50
"	" " " Mrs. Mundell's boy,	28 00
"	" " " Mrs. Eliza Clark,	2 00
"	Caleb A. Ware, for sawing lumber,	5 77
Oct. 6,	Hospital bill for Wm. O. Smith,	42 71
"	" " Agnes Leonard,	35 28
"	Peter O'Connor, for blacksmithing,	7 50
"	Lakeville Woolen Co., for groceries,	30 72
" 26,	Dennis Leary, for labor,	40 00
Aug. 20,	Joseph Davis, flour for Mrs. Wilson,	5 65
Nov. 3,	" " " " " " " " " "	7 25
"	9, Dennis Leary, for labor,	46 00
"	5. Dr. Chamberlain, for Miss Brandon,	8 00
"	North Brookfield, for Mundell family,	87 27
Dec.	Dr. Chamberlain, for Mrs. Clark,	10 00
"	" " " Mundell's boy,	2 00
"	Lakeville Woolen Co., for groceries,	29 94
Jan. 25,	Henry Ruiter, for salary,	100 00
"	Hospital bill,	42 71
"	F. A. Nichols, for groceries,	6 31
"	" " " " " " " " " "	31 85
"	Sylvester Prescott, for hay,	16 50
"	Peter O'Connor, for horse,	125 00
"	City of Worcester, for Rice family,	34 95
Total,		\$1892 88

EXPENSE OF SUPPORTING PAUPERS OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Lunatic Asylum for Wm. O. Smith,	\$169 92
" " for Agnes Leonard,	35 28
Town of Oakham for Mundell family,	75 00
Groceries for Mrs. Lyman Wilson,	23 25
Expense of moving Mundell family from Brookfield,	21 00
" transporting Andrew Sherron to Tewksbury,	4 30
Dr. Chamberlain, for Andrew Sherron,	5 50
" for Mrs. Mundell and boy,	30 00

Dr. Chamberlain, for Mrs. Clark,	\$12 00
“ for Miss Brandon,	8 00
North Brookfield for the Mundell family,	87 27
City of Worcester for Rice family,	34 95

Making a total of	506 47
Expenses at Almshouse,	1216 88
Overseer's services,	58 50

\$1781 85

As expense of supporting Town and other Paupers for the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Feb. 15, 1889.

D. F. SMITH,	} <i>Overseers</i>
H. A. KENNEN,	
E. C. DUDLEY,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Poor.</i>

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Town of Rutland in account with GEORGE A. PUTNAM, Treasurer.

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Received from B. F. Browning, Treasurer, 1886.

1888.

April	3,	Cash,	\$1,000 00
June	1,	Cash,	19 50
July	19,	Cash, interest in taxes,	67 83

1889.

January	5,	Order for error in taxes,	11 57
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\$1,098 90

Received from F. R. Foster, Treasurer, 1887.

1888.

May	15,	Cash,	\$250 00
May	10,	Orders and bills paid by him,	1,824 12
June	11,	Cash,	100 00
July	2,	Cash,	100 00
August	4,	Cash,	143 53
September	1,	Cash,	120 00
October	6,	Cash,	100 00
November	23,	Cash,	58 00
November	23,	Assessors abatement of tax, Hotel Property,	192 00
December	4,	Cash,	120 60
December	25,	Cash,	100 00

1889.

February	2,	Cash,	60 00
February	15,	Cash,	30 00

\$3,198 25

1888.

March	30,	Received from State Treasurer, corporation tax,	11 50
May	26,	Received from Overseers, board of D. D. Browning,	25 72
June	2,	Received from George A. Putnam, money borrowed,	150 00
June	5,	Received from J. Warren Bigelow, money borrowed,	1,000 00
July	2,	Received from G. A. Putnam, Trustee for J. A. Greenleaf, money borrowed,	1,976 45
December	11,	Received from State Treasurer, check for	
		Corporation tax,	\$28 48
		National Bank tax,	24 38
		State Aid, Chap. 252, Acts of 1879,	187 00
		State Aid, Chap. 301, Acts of 1879,	161 00

\$ 400 86

Amount brought forward,	\$400 86
December 21, Received from County Treasurer, dog fund,	164 42

1889.

January 26,	Received from State Treasurer, school fund,	395 50
February 14,	Received from George W. Hudson, use of town hall,	5 00
February 15,	Received from Overseers, board of Reuben J. Brooks,	85 00
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		\$8,511 60
	Received amount of tax bills, 1888,	7,975 56
	Received interest on taxes paid,	13 72
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		\$16,500 88

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1888.

February 28,	To paid int. on note to Worcester County	
	Institution for Savings,	\$ 337 50
March 5,	Assessors abatements,	5 50
April 9,	Int. on note to State Mutual Life Ass'ce Co.,	22 50
September 1,	Assessors abatements,	14 00
September 4,	Int. on note to Wor. Co. Inst. for Savings,	337 50
Septemb'r 27,	Int. on note to State Mutual Life Ass'ce Co.,	30 00
October 15,	One-half of County tax,	174 00
November 2,	Assessors abatement,	8 25
November 21,	Assessors abatement, on Hotel Property,	192 00
December 3,	State tax,	585 00
December 11,	One-half County tax,	174 00
December 21,	J. W. Bigelow, interest on note,	30 00
December 24,	Note and int. State Mutual Life Ass'ce Co.,	1,012 67

1889.

January 1,	Interest on note, J. A. Greenleaf,	59 29
January 1,	Interest on note, George A. Putnam,	4 50
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		\$2,986 71
	Paid 275 Orders of Selectmen,	9,422 15
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		\$12,408 86
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	Tax bills,	\$2,952 18
	Cash,	1,139 84
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	Balance in Treasury, February 15, 1889,	\$4,092 02

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, TREASURER.

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1889.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

of the Financial Condition of the Town at the Present Date,

FEBRUARY 15, 1889.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer during the past year 275 Orders, amounting to \$9422.15.

The appropriations for the Town were as follows:

State Tax,	\$585 00
County Tax,	348 00
Town Grant,	6800 00
Overlayings,	224 21
Additional Assessments,	18 35

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Worcester County Institution for Savings,	\$15,000 00
John A. Greenleaf, note,	1976 45
J. Warren Bigelow, note,	1000 00
Geo. A. Putnam, note,	150 00
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	\$18,126 45

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from State Treasurer, State Aid,	\$350 00
" " Henry Converse, Trustee,	1085 00
" " F. R. Foster, about	100 00
" " Town Hall Janitor,	6 05
" " George A. Putnam, Treasurer,	4092 02
Town farm, stock and tools,	4200 00
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	\$9833 07
Showing a balance against the Town of	<hr/>
	\$8293 38

1888,

ORDERS PAID.

Date. No. of Order.

April 7,	No. 1, Abel Baker, tolling bell,	\$ 80
	2, Elbridge Acker, snow bill,	6 50
	3, Walter H. Prescott, snow,	18 08
	4, John B. Wells, snow, etc.	6 96
	5, Daniel Leary, snow,	60 33
	6, Edward Powers, snow,	4 66
	7, Schuyler, Prouty, snow,	23 44
	8, Ivory Wales, snow,	64 15
	9, H. J. Davis, snow,	8 32
	10, Levi H. Stearns,	4 00
	11, Richard Cody, snow,	61 16
	12, Henry A. Kennen. Overseers,	6 00
	13, C. H. Upham, snow,	35 76
	14, John D. Clair, snow,	13 66
	15, Henry A. Kennen, snow,	133 13
	16, J. W. Steinburg, snow,	25 59
	17, O. C. Wellington, snow,	9 17
	18, S. D. & Merrill Chickering, snow,	15 49
	19, Wm. D. Hatch, snow,	5 17
	20, Henry D. Rice, snow,	26 85
	21, Dennis Gleason, snow,	7 67
	22, Michael Leary, snow,	22 99
	23, Geo. L. Holden, snow,	13 41
	24, T. Sibley Heald,	8 33
	25, E. C. Dudley, Overseers,	42 00
	26, Zebulon Strong, snow, etc.	15 00
	27, F. G. Bartlett, snow,	22 50
	28, Geo. E. Bigelow, snow,	10 33
	29, Henry S. Crover, snow,	8 50
	30, F. J. Baker, snow,	3 59
	31, Daniel Grace, snow,	5 75
	32, E. C. Allen, snow,	17 07
	33, Frank Forbush, snow,	21 32
	34, E. C. Allen, snow,	52 33
	35, E. C. Allen, snow,	46 07
	36, Dennis Leary, snow,	19 08
	37, Geo. S. Putnam, snow,	5 33
	38, M. R. Moulton, snow,	5 83
	39, Chas. R. Bartlett, snow,	28 73
	40, Daniel R. Wheeler, snow,	30 08
May 5,	41, Worcester Hospital, Overseers' bill,	42 25
	42, Clifton Parkhurst, salary, &c.	444 18
	43, Edward Powers, snow,	75
	44, Walter H. Bartlett, snow,	21 82
	45, Hugh Hammond, snow,	23 34

May 5,	46, James Hunter, snow,	\$ 6 25
	47, Wm. H. Hammond, snow,	9 28
	48, Thomas L. Campbell, snow,	16 20
	49, James Scott, snow,	9 16
	50, Andrew S. Charter, snow,	19 83
	51, Geo. A. Putnam, Library,	33 22
	52, James Sherwood, snow,	17 67
	53, James L. Munroe, Overseers,	2 25
	54, Edward Mellen, snow, &c.	21 32
	55, Otis N. Chickering, snow,	9 84
	56, Andrew S. Charter, snow,	59 41
	57, John D. Clair, snow,	3 50
	58, Chas. H. Butler, snow,	16 14
	59, Frank Strong, snow,	2 58
	60, Geo. P. Woodis, snow,	4 17
	61, Joseph Davis, Overseers,	5 25
	62, Herman N. Bemis, snow,	2 73
	63, Era C. Dudley, snow,	82 80
	64, M. Roberts, snow,	3 17
	65, Michael Gleason, snow,	2 00
	66, Hugh Hammond, snow,	10 59
	67, Zebulon Strong, snow,	4 50
	68, Joseph Valley, snow,	3 08
	69, C. W. Putnam, snow,	72
	70, Geo. P. Woodis, snow,	2 50
	71, Daniel Nihin, snow,	7 30
	72, Joel Stone, snow,	2 66
	73, Francis Hapgood, snow,	5 87
	74, Leslie Moore, Schools,	4 00
	75, Henry Moore, snow,	25 32
	76, Fred F. Cowden, snow,	5 33
	77, Ola Nelson, snow,	28 53
	78, E. C. Allen, snow,	27 84
	79, James M. Taylor, snow,	38 00
	80, J. E. Clark, snow,	3 82
	81, J. S. Moore, snow,	11 32
	82, Geo. P. Woodis, snow,	18 33
	83, Dennis Leary, Overseers,	16 00
	84, Town of Oakham, Overseers,	75 00
	85, J. A. Titus, Counsel,	35 00
	86, F. R. Foster, State Aid,	114 00
	87, E. C. Allen, Highway,	63 00
	88, Geo. S. Putnam, Sexton,	14 50
	89, John N. Sargent, snow,	70 28
	90, Henry A. Kennen, Highway,	10 35
June 2,	91, Lyman A. Baker, School,	13 00
	92, Alvin B. Fisher, snow,	3 84

June 2,	93, Chas. R. Bartlett, School	\$ 55 00
	94, Wm. H. Barr, snow,	40 00
	95, Era C. Dudley, Overseers,	50 00
	96, Olive M. Barnes, Schools,	26 00
	97, E. E. Dana, Highway, &c.	82 45
	98, Hattie E. Higgins, School 2,	26 00
	99, Joel Stone, Sexton,	13 00
	100, E. H. Tripp, Printing,	40 00
	101, J. W. Sargent, Overseers,	50 00
	102, Stillman J. Fletcher, snow,	1 33
	103, E. C. Allen, Highway,	279 80
	104, Geo. A. Putnam, State Aid,	39 00
	105, Henry A. Kennen, Highway,	424 02
July 7,	106, Peter O'Conner, 11.20, less 5.00 for old Hearse,	6 20
	107, E. C. Allen, Highway,	355 00
	108, F. W. Hatstatt, School,	65 00
	109, Alice L. Rice, School,	60 00
	110, Lou. F. Sawtelle, Schools,	67 00
	111, Marcia P. Hill, Schools,	90 00
	112, Etta L. Miles, Schools,	70 50
	113, Hattie E. Higgins, Schools,	34 00
	114, Olive M. Barnes, Schools,	39 00
	115, Cyrene L. Flint, Schools,	67 50
	116, Geo. W. Leadbetter, Schools,	1 50
	117, E. E. Dana, Overseers,	41 00
	118, Herbert W. Kennen, Schools,	2 50
	119, Lewis Baker, Schools,	1 75
	120, Arthur Heald, Schools,	2 00
	121, Warren G. Wales, Overseers,	14 25
	122, Joseph Davis, Overseers,	5 50
	123, Joseph Aldrich, Overseers,	15 00
	124, H. B. Ruiter, Overseers,	45 00
	125, Warren Handy, snow,	1 08
	126, Geo. Fay, snow,	3 92
	127, Henry A. Kennen, Highway,	305 38
	128, Walter A. Wheeler, Schools,	76 87
	129, Geo. A. Putnam, State Aid,	43 00
	130, Amos Strong, Highway tools,	6 00
	131, Henry A. Kennen, Highway tools,	11 15
	132, Henry A. Kennen, Highway, extra,	102 85
Aug. 4,	133, Geo. S. Putnam, Sexton bill,	7 25
	134, E. B. Wellington, Sexton and snow bill,	11 33
	135, Mrs. F. R. Foster, Librarian,	26 00
	136, Worcester Hospital, Overseers' bill,	42 25
	137, David F. Smith, Overseers' bill,	4 30
	138, E. C. Allen, Highway,	61 00
	139, Geo. A. Putnam, State Aid,	39 00

Aug. 4,	140, Henry A. Kennen, Highway,	\$ 20 24
	141, E. E. Dana, Overseers,	41 50
	142, Geo. S. Putnam, Assessor,	27 50
Sept. 1,	143, Fred S. Hunt, Assessor and snow,	45 48
	144, M. R. Moulton, Selectman and Freight,	19 10
	145, Commonwealth for Mrs. Leonard, Overseers' bill,	20 89
	146, E. H. Tripp, Assessors' Reports,	27 50
	147, Wheeler Reflector Co., Street Lights,	10 92
	148, S. Walker & Co., Oil,	11 10
	149, Fanny Macomber, School,	39 00
	150, Horace A. Smith, snow,	2 17
	151, Geo. A. Putnam, State Aid,	35 00
	152, T. Sibley Heald, Highway,	18 45
	153, Louis M. Hanff, Schools,	90 05
	154, W. E. Chamberlain, Overseers	61 00
	155, E. E. Dana, Overseers	62 23
	156, Worcester Hospital, Overseers	79 10
	157, H. B. Ruiter, Overseers	48 75
	158, Frank F. Dana, School	2 00
	159, Peter O'Conner, Overseers	7 50
Oct. 6,	160, D. A. Brown, snow	6 16
	161, George A. Putnam, State Aid	45 00
	162, F. R. Foster, Assessors	30 14
	163, T. S. Heald, Selectman	15 00
Nov. 3,	164, Geo. W. Cowden, snow	9 50
	165, Wheeler Reflector Co. Street Light	32 76
	166, W. A. Wheeler, School	50 00
	167, Dennis Leary, Overseers	40 00
	168 O. L. Ford, Damage	21 37
	169 Lakeville Woolen Co. Overseers	30 72
	170 Lillian Proctor, Schools	28 00
	171 Peter O'Connor, Overseers	125 00
	172 Geo. A. Putnam, State Aid	42 00
	173 Joseph Davis, Overseers	12 90
Dec. 1,	174 Daniel Nihin, Highway	50
	175 E. C. Allen, Highway	9 25
	176 Alvin B. Fisher, Highway	1 50
	177 Dennis O. Herron, snow	23 33
	178 Lawson S. Brigham, snow	17 01
	179 Wheeler Reflector Co. Street Light	16 38
	180 John Leary, Overseers	46 00
	181 Daniel Leary, snow	1 50
	182 Addison Childs, snow	11 28
	183 Olive M. Barnes, School	56 00
	184 Hattie E. Higgins, School	49 00
	185 Cyrene L. Flint, School	54 25
	186 Emma A. Windle, School	42 00

Dec. 1,	187 Emma J. Cooper, School	\$49 00
	188 Lilian A. Proctor, School	21 00
	189 Boston School Supply Co. School	32 40
	190 Edwin S. Prescott, School	16 15
	191 Wm. C. Temple, School	10 00
	192 Fred R. Bartlett, School	2 50
	193 W. M. Demond, School	1 75
	194 Joseph M. Moulton, Constable	2 00
	195 Henry A. Kennen, Highway	99 62
	196 Geo. A. Putnam, State Aid	42 00
1889, Jan 5,	197 F. A. Nichols, Overseers,	31 85
	198 Patrick Delahanty, snow	11 25
	199 Walter A. Wheeler, School	75 00
	200 Town of North Brookfield, Overseers	87 27
	201 W. E. Chamberlin, Overseers	20 00
	202 T. Sibley Heald, Highway	15 05
	203 Oseies B. Dodge, School	49 00
	204 Cyrene L. Flynt, School	27 20
	205 Caleb A. Ware, Overseers	5 77
	206 E. A. Windle, School	12 00
	207 Louis M. Hanff, School	61 23
	208 Alice L. Rice, School	42 00
	209 Fred W. Hatstatt, School	49 00
	210 Mabel Heald, School	2 00
	211 George L. Holden, Snow and Highway	3 50
	212 Daniel R. Wheeler, Snow	14 49
	213 George S. Gates, Highway	37 96
	214 Henry A. Kennen, Highway	95 38
	215 E. C. Allen, Highway	9 86
	216 George A. Putnam, State Aid	44 00
	217 B. F. Browning, Error on Tax Books,	11 57
	218 Charles R. Bartlett, School	74 61
February 2,	219 J. A. Cullen, School	2 00
	220 Michael Cullen, Highway	4 00
	221 George E. Allen, Scraper Blades	17 00
	222 William H. Hammond, Snow and Highway	3 33
	223 Lewis E. Moore, School	2 75
	224 O. B. Dodge, School	50 00
	225 D. Appleton & Co., School	14 20
	226 W. H. Sawyer, School	46 80
	227 E. Whitney, School	13 35
	228 L. E. Holden, School	35 00
	229 Marcia P. Hill, School	126 75
	230 Ella M. Woodis, School	3 00
	231 H. E. Higgins, School	49 00
	232 Lillian Proctor, School	56 00
	233 Fred W. Hatstatt, School	49 00

February 2,	234 Olive M. Barnes, School	\$56 00
	235 Herbert Heald, School	2 00
	236 Amasa Jordan, Snow	1 00
	237 James M. Taylor, Snow and Highway	17 92
	238 Henry B. Ruiter, Overseers	100 00
	239 George A. Putnam, State Aid	44 00
	240 Daniel Leary, Highway	13 75
	241 Amos Strong, Highway	3 00
	242 George S. Putnam, Sexton, Etc.	25 50
	243 T. Sibley Heald, snow and Highway	5 33
	244 Ebenezer Wellington, Bridge &c.	5 38
	245 F. A. Nichols, Overseers	6 31
	246 Worcester Hospital, Overseers	42 71
Feb. 15	247 Mrs. F. R. Foster, Librarian	26 00
	248 C. L. Ware, School	3 90
	249 Louis M. Hanff, Guide Boards	4 40
	250 D. Appleton & Co Schools	4 32
	251 Sylvester Prescott, Overseers	16 50
	252 Wheeler Reflector Co. Street Lights	11 16
	253 Walter A. Wheeler, School Committee	40,00
	254 M. R. Moulton, Selectman and Registrar	22 50
	255 F. G. Bartlett, Selectman, Registrar and use of team	39 00
	256 T. Sibley Heald, Selectman and Registrar	18 00
	257 Wm. C. Temple, School Committee	30 00
	258 Wm. C. Temple, Schools	4 50
	259 Lewis Baker, Schools	2 50
	260 Chas. R. Bartlett, School Committee	33 90
	261 Chas. R. Bartlett, Schools	12 85
	262 Chas. R. Bartlett, Schools	117 28
	263 Henry A. Kennen, Overseers	16 50
	264 Era C. Dudley, Overseers	15 00
	265 David F. Smith, Overseers	27 00
	266 Wheeler Reflector Company, Street Lights	17 68
	267 Robert Leary, School bills	3 75
	268 Alice L. Rice, School, 9	42 00
	269 E. J. Cooper, School, 6	77 00
	270 Clark & Maynard, School,	14 34
	271 Geo. A. Putnam, School, To Whiting	11 00
	272 Geo. A. Putnam, School, Hume & Chase	7 32
	273 City of Worcester, Overseers	34 95
	274 Geo. A. Putnam, Collector, Clerk and Register	190 80
	275 Robert Ploetz, snow	83

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	\$30 50
F. G. Bartlett,	29 00
T. Sibley Heald,	27 00

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	\$6 00
F. G. Bartlett,	6 00
T. Sibley Heald,	6 00
George A. Putnam,	5 00

TOWN CLERK.

Paid George A. Putnam,	\$28 40
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ASSESSORS.

Paid Fred. S. Hunt,	\$29 65
Freeman R. Foster,	30 14
George S. Putnam,	27 50

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid David F. Smith,	\$27 00
Henry A. Kennen,	16 50
Era C. Dudley,	15 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Walter A. Wheeler,	\$40 00
William C. Temple,	30 00
Charles R. Bartlett,	33 90

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid George A. Putnam,	\$150 00
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CONSTABLE.

Paid Joseph M. Moulton,	\$2 00
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SEXTONS.

Paid George S. Putnam,	\$44 75
Joel Stone,	13 00
E. B. Wellington,	4 50

LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. Freeman R. Foster,	\$52 00
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Total,

\$651 84

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Paid Abel Baker, for tolling bell,	\$ 80
Zebulon Strong, digging grave,	3 00
George A. Putnam, Library,	33 22
Joseph A. Titus, counsel, etc.,	35 00
Henry A. Kennen, repairs on scraper,	4 75
E. E. Dana, road tools,	6 30
E. H. Tripp, printing,	40 00
Peter O'Connor, repairs on tools,	6 20
Amos, Strong, repairs on tools,	6 00
Henry A. Kennen, bill on tools,	11 15
Henry A. Kennen, highway,	102 85
M. R. Moulton, freight bills, etc.,	7 78
E. H. Tripp, printing,	27 50
O. L. Ford, for injuries and damage,	21 37
George S. Gates, railing and repairs,	37 96
B. F. Browning, error in tax book,	11 57
Michael Cullen, repairing bridge,	4 00
George E. Allen, two scraper blades,	17 00
E. B. Wellington, repairing bridge,	3 88
Street lights,	100 00
Louis M. Hanff, guide boards,	4 40
Selectmen, horse hire,	4 00
Town Clerk, books and stationery,	7 40
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	\$496 13

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Clerk,	\$28 40
Assessors,	87 29
Selectmen,	86 50
Overseers of Poor,	58 50
School Committee,	103 90
Collector and Treasurer,	150 00
Constable,	2 00
Sexton,	62 25
Librarian,	52 00
Registrars of Voters,	23 00
Highway Bills,	1,798 98
Breaking Roads,	1,647 40
State Aid,	487 00
Schools,	2,445 97
Orders of Overseers,	1,892 83
Incidentals,	496 13
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	\$9,422 15

A LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS, 1889.

WALTER H. BARTLETT,	DENNIS O'HERRON,
STEPHEN P. ALLEN,	GEORGE W. COWDEN,
LYMAN A. BAKER,	GEORGE ARMITAGE,
LAWTON T. HADLEY,	PAUL WHEELER,
JOHN T. LAWLESS,	CHESTER W. DODGE,
JOHN E. LEARY,	FRANK D. FORBUSH,
H. EDWARD WHEELER,	WALTER A. WHEELER.

GUIDE POSTS.

In obedience to the laws of the Commonwealth, we report in regard to Guide Posts, that they are erected in the following places :

One near E. C. Dudley's. Two at the junction of the roads leading from Barre to Paxton. One near Miles Holden's. Two near F. A. Nichol's Store. One near the Muschopogue House. Two on Pound Hill. One near Walter H. Bartlett's. One near Benjamin Allen's. Two near Alfred Hatstat's. One near No. 1 School House. One near the J. C. Greenleaf Place. One near D. R. Wheeler's. Two near M. M. Smith's. One near the New Boston Mills. Two near Erastus Dean Place. One near Charles E. Reid's. One near Daniel Nyhin's. One near Addison Child's. One near Charles R. Bartlett's Place. Two near T. Sibley Heald's.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1889.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

TO THE SELECTMEN OF RUTLAND :

As one of the Highway Surveyors of the Town of Rutland, I submit the following bills of expenditure, for which I have received your orders on Treasurer :

Bill No. 1.	\$ 63 00
2.	279 80
3,	355 00
4,	61 00
5,	9 25
6,	9 86
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	\$777 91

E. C. ALLEN, SURVEYOR.

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1889.

TO THE SELECTMEN OF RUTLAND :

I have expended, as one of the Highway Surveyors of the town of Rutland, the following sums, for which I have received your orders on Treasurer :

Month of May,	Henry Stearns,	\$13 35
	E. Roberts,	15 60
	Mr. Phelps,	23 93
	D. Conners,	14 85
	J. Rand,	15 98
	W. Conners,	5 85
	Mr. Roberts,	27 87
	Mr. Charter,	27 02
	A. Strong,	40 70
	D. O'Leary,	72 78
	E. C. Dudley,	38 35
	H. A. Kennen,	127 74

Month of June,	J. Aldrich,	\$10 50
	H. A. Kennen,	86 00
	A. Strong,	56 90
	D. O'Leary,	54 40
	E. C. Dudley,	54 40
	H. Stearns,	22 50
	J. Rand,	24 00
	E. Roberts,	6 75
	D. Conners,	3 75
	Mr. Roberts,	2 68
	Mr. Phelps,	25 80
	Frank O'Leary,	30 00
	Mr. Charter,	30 55
Month of Aug.,	H. A. Kennen,	20 24
Month of Nov.,	Patrick Delehanty,	10 25
	Frank Foster,	7 87
	J. Lawless,	15 00
	A. Strong,	27 75
	H. A. Kennen,	38 75
Month of Dec.,	C. Shannon,	3 75
	J. Lawless,	11 25
	A. Strong,	7 50
	H. A. Kennen,	29 50
	E. C. Dudley,	43 38
In the month of May,		\$424 02
June,		305 38
August,		20 24
November,		99 62
By order of Selectmen,	December,	95 38
	December,	5 60
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		\$950 24

HENRY A. KENNEN, HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

SNOW BILLS.

Elbridge Acker,	\$6 50
W. H. Prescott,	18 08
J. B. Wells,	4 41
Daniel Leary,	60 33
Edward Powers,	4 66
Schuyler Prouty,	23 44
Ivory Wales,	64 15
H. J. Davis,	8 32
Levi H. Stearns,	4 00
Richard Cody,	61 16

C. H. Upham,	\$ 35 76
John D. Clair,	13 66
Henry A. Kennen,	133 13
J. M. Steinburg,	25 59
O. C. Wellington,	9-17
S. D. & Merrill Chickering,	15 49
Wm. D. Hatch,	5 17
Henry D. Rice,	20 85
Dennis Gleason,	7 67
Michael Leary,	22 99
G. L. Holden,	13 41
T. Sibley Heald,	8 33
Zebulon Strong,	12 00
F. G. Bartlett,	22 50
George E. Bigelow,	10 33
Henry S. Crover,	8 50
Frank J. Baker,	3 59
Daniel Grace,	5 75
Edward C. Allen,	17 07
Frank D. Forbush,	21 32
Edward C. Allen,	52 33
“ “ “	46 07
Dennis Leary,	19 08
George S. Putnam,	5 33
M. R. Moulton,	5 83
Charles R. Bartlett,	28 73
Daniel R. Wheeler,	30 08
Clifton Parkhurst,	4 32
Edward Powers,	75
Walter H. Bartlett,	21 82
Hugh Hammond,	23 34
James Hunter,	6 25
Wm. H. Hammond,	9 28
Thomas L. Campbell,	16 20
James Scott,	9 16
A. S. Charter,	19 83
James Sherwood,	17 67
Edward Mellen,	20 57
Otis N. Chickering,	9 84
Andrew Charter,	59 41
John D. Clair,	3 50
C. H. Butler,	16 14
Frank Strong,	2 58
George P. Woodis,	4 17
H. N. Bemis,	2 73
E. C. Dudley,	82 80
Mark Roberts,	3 17

Michael Gleason,	\$ 2 00
Hugh Hammond,	10 59
Zebulon Strong,	4 50
Joseph Valley,	3 08
C. W. Putnam,	72
George P. Woodis,	2 50
Daniel Nihin,	7 30
Joel Stone,	2 66
Francis Hapgood,	5 87
Henry Moore,	25 32
Fred F. Cowden,	5 33
Ola Nelson,	28 53
E. C. Allen,	27 84
J. M. Taylor,	38 00
J. E. Clark,	3 82
J. S. Moore,	11 32
George P. Woodis,	18 33
John N. Sargent,	70 28
A. B. Fisher,	3 84
Wm. H. Barr,	40 00
Stillman J. Fletcher,	1 33
Warren Handy,	1 08
George W. Fay,	3 92
E. B. Wellington,	8 33
Fred S. Hunt,	15 83
Horace A. Smith,	2 17
Daniel A. Brown,	6 16
George W. Cowden,	9 50
Dennis O. Herron,	23 33
Lawson S. Brigham,	17 01
Daniel Leary,	1 50
Addison Childs,	11 28
Patrick J. Delahanty,	11 25
George L. Holden,	1 17
D. R. Wheeler,	14 49
Wm. H. Hammond,	2 58
Amasa Jordan,	1 00
J. M. Taylor,	5 17
T. S. Heald,	3 33
Robert Ploetz,	83

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

OF THE

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY,

OF RUTLAND.

GENTLEMEN :

The following is the financial account of the Library for the past year :

Appropriation by the town, one-half of dog fund,	\$85 22
Balance from last year,	17 25
Amount of fines for keeping books overtime,	4 00
Amount received from sale of catalogues,	3 10
	\$109 57

EXPENDED.

Paid for History of Rutland,	\$ 1 00
Expense of preparing Catalogues,	28 25
Expense of printing Catalogues,	29 00
Express on books,	1 30
Postage,	34
For two new books,	1 98
For Record book,	1 30
Salary of Librarian,	52 00 — \$115 17
Due Committee,	\$ 5 60

Your Committee thought it necessary to prepare a new Catalogue, as there was only one copy of the old one left at the Library, and calls for a list of books were frequent; consequently but few books have been added to the Library this year.

Through the kindness of our Summer friends, six bound volumes and a number of pamphlets, which have not yet been catalogued, have been added to the Library.

The following are the bound volumes given ;

No. 1282	Old New England days,	<i>Sophie M. Damon</i>
1283	Art of Conversation,	<i>J. P. Mahaffy</i>
1284	Tropical Africa,	<i>Henry Drummond</i>
1285	Story of a Short Life,	<i>Mrs. J. H. Ewing</i>
1286	Jackanapes,	<i>Mrs. J. H. Ewing</i>
1287	Earth Trembled, The	<i>E. P. Roe</i>

There have also been sent from the Secretary of the Commonwealth The Census of Mass., 1885, Blue Book, Trial of Henry K. Goodwin, and Trial of Mrs. Sarah J. Robinson and several Reports, &c.

Whole number of books put out during the year, 1723.

In the interest of fair play, your Committee have established the following Rule : "All books must be returned to the Library by the family taking them out."

This gives all an equal chance at the Library of securing the books of most general interest, as it will prevent books from being passed from family to family, without giving the general patrons of the Library a chance to read them.

We renew our former suggestions as to the treatment of books ; a good book is a good friend,—let us treat it as such.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH E. MUNROE,	} <i>Library</i>
LAWTON T. HADLEY,	
GEORGE A. PUTNAM,	

Committee.

RUTLAND, Feb. 15, 1889.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for 1888.

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE BIRTH.
Leslie Sawyer Prescott,	Roland C. and Joanna K. Prescott,	July 28, 1887
George Arthur Chamberlin,	Ahira L. and Lescetta E. Chamberlin,	Feb. 22, 1888
Eva Estell Hatstat,	Charles A. and Minnie E. Hatstat,	Mar. 3, "
Rubie Vera Foster,	B. Franklin and Mary L. Foster,	" 13, "
Edith Mabel Gallagher,	Joseph Wm. and Etta L. Gallagher,	April 1, "
Harry Lawrence Strong.	James Wm. and Georgena F. Strong,	" 3, "
Merrick Wedge Wheeler,	Walter A. and Mary A. Wheeler,	May 28, "
Bertha May Chickering,	Harlow S. and Alice A. Chickering,	June 8, "
Mary Helen Lawless,	John T. and Emma M. Lawless,	" 18, "
Etta Louisa Bemis.	Herman N. and Emma A. Bemis,	" 28, "
Emma Lydia Valley,	Joseph M. and Marancy M. Valley,	" 28, "
David Maurice Hanff,	Louis M. and Frances P. Hanff,	July 15, "
Clarence William Hammond,	Wm. Henry and Clara A. Hammond,	Aug. 11, "
Lucy Edna Wheeler,	H. Edward and N. Della Wheeler,	Sep. 10, "
Clarence Henry Clark,	J. Edmund and Louisa Clark,	" 27, "
—— Blanding.	Frank Vinton and Emma Blanding,	" 30, "
Harry Eugene Bartley,	Eugene and Maggie E. Bartley,	Oct. 5, "
Fred Clifford Allen,	Edward C. and Mary A. Allen,	Nov. 7, "
Harry Albert Handy,	Warren H. and Mary E. Handy,	" 12, "
Ernest Demond.	George A. Fay and Mary A. Demond,	" 29, "
Lucy Miles Hubbard,	Edgar S. and S. Frances Hubbard,	Dec. 2, "
Susanna O'Connor,	Peter S. and Mary E. O'Connor,	" 24, "

MARRIAGES.

Jan. 8, 1888,	Charles Alonzo Bartlett and Nellie Gray Spaulding, both of Rutland.
" 12, "	John Thomas Lawless of Rutland and Emma May Huse of Morristown, Vt.
" 16, "	George Townsend and Mary Jane Sargent, both of Boston.
Mar. 22, "	Frederick E. Baldwin of Worcester and Jennie Hammond of Rutland.
Apr. 17, "	Willie W. Luce and Annie Joslyn, both of Barre.
May 14, "	Edwin Starrows Prescott and Abbie Rebecca Hunter, both of Rutland.
July 3, "	Louis E. Snow of West Brookfield and Eva A. Whitney of Holden.
" 5, "	Dennis Holt and Sarah Ann Bassett, both of Hubbardston.
Oct. 6, "	Laurence J. Shay and Hattie E. Dana, both of Rutland.
" 17, "	Joseph H. Hadley of Princeton and Edith H. Richardson of Holden.
" 25, "	George Hiram Miles and Etta Louisa Miles, both of Rutland.
Nov. 13, "	George E. Holt of Hubbardston and Livonia Elizabeth Allen of Rutland.
" 20, "	Charles Henry Louis Crover and Nettie Florence Reid, both of Rutland.
" 28, "	David Drinkwine of Holden and Catherine Jackson of Rutland.
Dec. 23, "	James Johnson Wallwork and Emma Nancy Woodis, both of Rutland.
" 25, "	Clarence L. Goodrich of Boston and Hattie Rebeccah Sargent of Rutland.
" 25, "	Chas. Lewis Jordan and Sarah Arabella Valley, both of Rutland.

DEATHS.

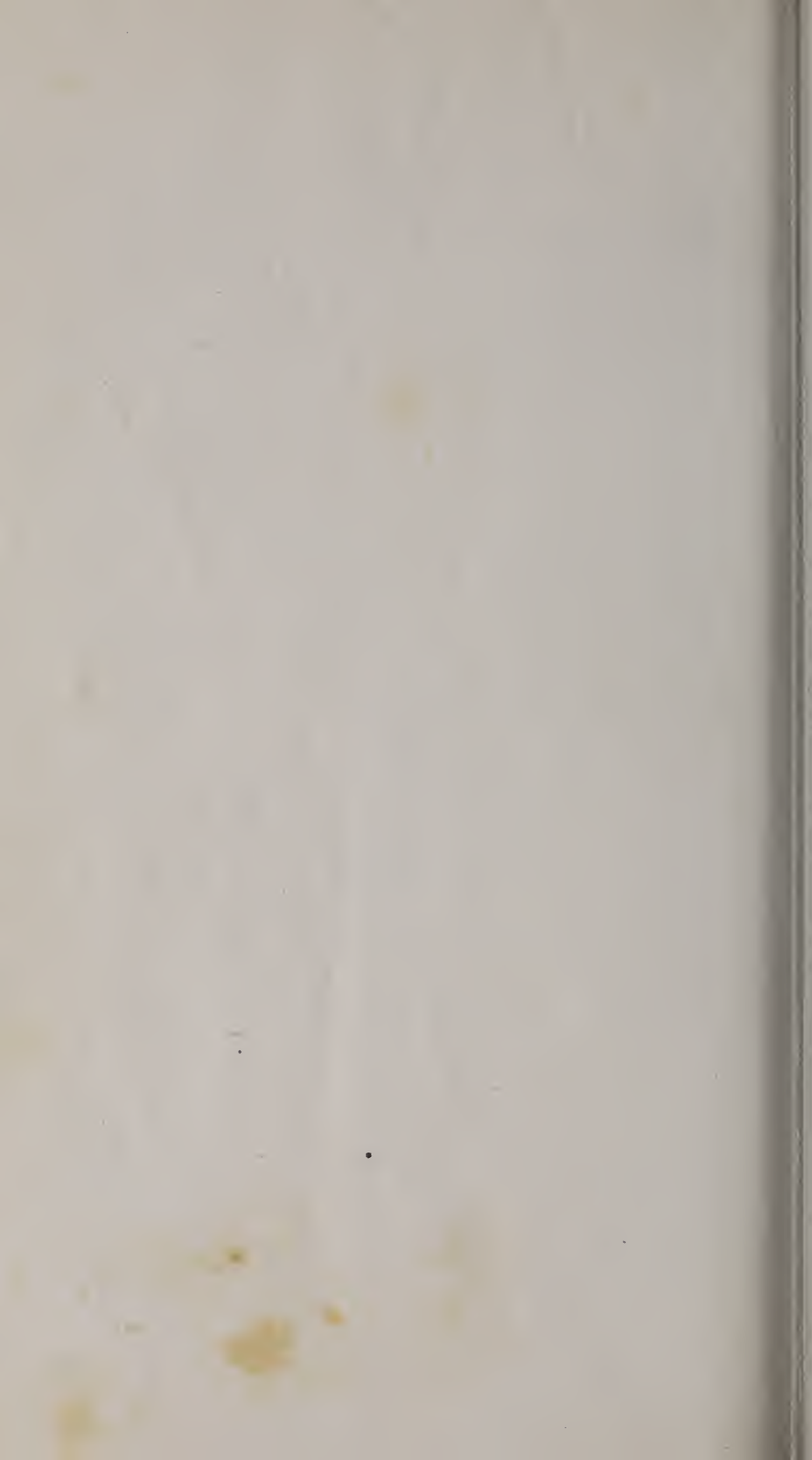
DATE. 1888.	NAMES.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		yrs.	mo.	ds.	
Jan. 12,	Thomas Lawless,	60	10	11	Acute Nephritis.
" 18,	Roswell Bemis,	75	9		Paralysis.
Feb. 11,	Mrs. Ann Reynolds,	53			Cancer in stomach.
" 12,	George W. Handy,	43		12	Consumption.
" 14,	Mrs. Durenda Childs,	83	11	12	Old Age.
Mar. 10,	Samuel Chandler Green,	65	5	19	Cancer in stomach.
" 18,	Mrs. Harriet Bond,	83	2	26	Pneumonia.
Apr. 20,	Wm. Harrold Graton,	1	11	7	Pneumonia.
May 1,	David Davis Browning,	82	10	22	Old Age.
" 6,	Mrs. Persis N. Black,	79	1	11	Heart disease.
" 10,	Maud Frances Chickering,	1	5		Meningitis.
" 14,	Orrin Peirce,	61	8		Hypertrophy of heart.
" 15,	Edwin Harland Spooner,	14	5	23	Acute rheumatism.
Jun. 20,	Edward Jerome Putnam,	17	6	9	Drowned at Northampton.
Sept. 3,	Charles Edward Rice,	17	9	18	Typhoid dysentery.
" 11,	Edwin Henry,	87	9	22	Typhoid dysentery.
" 24,	Mrs. Margaret Scott,	75			Old Age.
" 26,	Erven Elliott Lovering,	2	3	24	Convulsions.
Oct. 2,	Reuben Johnson Brooks,	76	4		Old Age.
" 4,	Mrs. Sarepta W. Scott,	76	7	4	Nervous prostration.
Nov. 5,	Horace Augustus Smith,	72	8		Hepatic colic.
Dec. 21,	Charles Levi Temple,	41	2	12	Fracture and dislocation of spinal vertebrae.

Number of Dogs licensed in 1888 was

102 male Dogs @ \$2,	\$204 00
5 female Dogs @ 5,	25 00
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Fees for registration,	\$229 00
	21 40
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Paid to County Treasurer,	\$207 60

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, TOWN CLERK.



REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, FOR THE YEAR 1888.

FELLOW CITIZENS :

In presenting their annual report, your Committee feel justified in claiming that the usual degree of proficiency on the part of the pupils, and wisely directed effort on the part of teachers, have combined to render the work of both generally satisfactory.

The sessions of two schools have been broken by sickness and resignation of teachers. Otherwise the school year has been divided into two terms, the first of ten weeks, the second of fourteen, with a week's recess at Thanksgiving.

Also, and in addition to the above, a High School has been maintained at the Centre for a term of twenty weeks, with two weeks' recess at Thanksgiving. This school has been open to all pupils qualified to enter, and is the subject of a special report by the Committee thereon.

The following financial statement will be of interest to tax-payers.

RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation,	\$1800 00
School Fund,	395 50
One-half Dog tax,	85 21
Unexpended balance last year,	50 50
Total,	<hr/> \$2331 21

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' Salaries,	\$1846 95	
Fuel and Janitors,	139 15	
Supplies,	107 16	
Total,		\$2093 26
Balance unexpended,		\$237 95

CONTINGENT.

Repairs of School Houses,	\$467 21
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The amount expended for repairs is unusually large, but your Committee offer no apology for this large expenditure, deeming the cause for the same imperative.

To speak more in detail :

The School Houses in Nos. 3, 4, and Centre have been shingled and painted.

No. 6 has been plastered inside and papered.

Both rooms at the Centre have been renovated, by being newly painted, papered and whitened, while new furniture has been placed in the upper room.

But while this seems large, yet much more is needed. It would be poor economy not to paint and otherwise repair nearly all the other houses.

We estimate that the expense of such repairs the coming year will not fall short of two hundred dollars.

The question, how to reduce the expenditures for Schools without impairing their efficiency, is to us a very important one. Obviously it cannot be accomplished by reducing the salary of teachers, nor the amount spent for text books and school supplies.

There is but one way, as your Committee think, by which the desired end may be attained, viz. to reduce the number of schools; and this can only be done by providing transportation to such as live at an "unreasonable" distance from schools.

The School Committee, however, are unable to do this without your consent, and an appropriation for the same. With such appropriation, at least three schools might be suspended the coming year.

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL.

The High and Grammar School term of twenty weeks, taught by Mr. W. A. Wheeler, was well attended. The whole number who availed themselves of the privilege was thirty-nine; a larger part of the membership coming from remote sections of the town. The average membership for the entire term, twenty-nine and four-fifths. The number pursuing higher branches than are taught in the common schools, twenty-nine. Number over fifteen years of age, twenty-six. The cost of this school, including fuel and janitorship, was \$265, or eight and four-fifths dollars per pupil.

The above statement of facts proves conclusively that there is a great demand for such school advantages. The Town has been fortunate in having the services of so competent an instructor, who spared no pains to make his teaching practical. The older and more advanced scholars have had the opportunity of perfecting themselves in the common branches, and also of pursuing more advanced studies, which many would have found it impossible to have secured out of town, on account of the additional expense.

C. R. BARTLETT,
W. C. TEMPLE,

Committee.

STATISTICS.

SUMMER TERM.

SCHOOLS.	No. of Weeks.	Whole Number of Pupils.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Wages of Teacher per Month.	Number of Visitors.
Centre Primary.....	10	33	32 $\frac{1}{6}$	30 $\frac{1}{3}$	\$36	11
No. 1,	10	15	14 $\frac{1}{3}$	11 $\frac{1}{3}$	24	9
No. 2,	10	8	7 $\frac{2}{3}$	7	23	5
No. 3,	10	11	10 $\frac{2}{3}$	10	26	5
No. 4,	10	19	18	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	28	10
No. 5,	10	30	26 $\frac{1}{2}$	25 $\frac{1}{3}$	26	17
No. 6,	6	16	14	12	26	7
No. 7,	10	21	18	11	26	14
No. 8,	10	18	16 $\frac{1}{4}$	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	26	6

WINTER TERM.

Centre Primary,	14	26	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	21	\$36	6
No. 1,	14	19	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	28	21
No. 2,	14	7	6 $\frac{3}{4}$	6	26	6
No. 3,	16	13	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	8	28	5
No. 4,	14	13	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	12	28	12
No. 5,	11	30	23	21	31	16
No. 6,	18	14	12	10	28	26
No. 7,	14	22	18	17	28	32
No. 8,	14	21	15	13	28	10
No. 9,	14	8	6	5 $\frac{4}{5}$	24	12
High School,	20	39	29 $\frac{1}{3}$	28	50	26

NAMES OF TEACHERS, WAGES, ETC.

SCHOOLS.	TERMS.	TEACHERS.	Amount of Wages.
Centre Primary,	Summer	Marcia P. Hill,	\$108
	Winter	Marcia P. Hill,	108
No. 1,	Summer	Alice L. Rice,	60
	Winter	Fred W. Hatstat,	98
No. 2,	Summer	Hattie E. Higgins,	65
	Winter	{ Emma Windle,	54
	"	{ Mrs. Lizzie Holden,	35
No. 3,	Summer	Olive M. Barnes,	65
	Winter	Olive M. Barnes,	112
No. 4,	Summer	Etta L. Miles,	70
	Winter	Hattie E. Higgins,	98
No. 5,	Summer	Cyrene L. Flint,	65
	Winter	Cyrene L. Flint,	83 95
No. 6,	Summer	Fanny R. Macomber,	39
	Winter	Emma J. Cooper,	126
No. 7,	Summer	Lou F. Sawtelle,	65
	Winter	Lilian A. Procter,	98
No. 8,	Summer	Fred, W. Hatstat,	65
	Winter	Ozias B. Dodge,	98
No. 9,	Winter	Alice L. Rice,	84
High School,		Walter A. Wheeler,	250
			<hr/> \$1846 95

ROLL OF HONOR.

The ROLL OF HONOR contains the names of those pupils who have been neither absent or tardy during one term of school.

Willie M. Demond,
Jessie I. Taylor,
*Leroy S. Putnam,
*Samuel F. Moulton,
*Lizzie M. Putnam,
*Mary Scott,
*Etta L. Putnam,
Bertha A. Taylor,
Hattie Leadbetter,
Maida Partridge,
Lillie Wilson,
Mina Partridge,
Arthur Davis,
Elliot Partridge,
Arthur Heald,
Lola M. Brown,
M. Edith Smith,
Lawrence E. Smith,
A. Clifford Wheeler,
Frank P. Barr,
Belle Baker,
Arthur G. Dodge,
Clarence C. Dodge,
Lewis H. Baker,
Flora Sanderson,
Arthur Sanderson,
Vora Stearns,
*Bertha Stearns.

*John Cullen,
Matthew Cullen,
*Mary Stearns,
Caltha Charter,
George Spooner,
Frank Denny,
*Nettie Davis,
Elsie Davis,
Walter Charter,
Lewis Moore,
Oscar Bray,
Harry Leonard,
May Kennen,
Addie Kennen,
*Mary Kennen,
*Grace Ware,
Edith Graton,
Mamie Kennen,
George White,
Mary O'Herron,
*Maude Moore,
Leslie Moore,
Rowland Moore,
Joseph Bigelow,
Dennis O'Herron,
Etta Woodis,
Mercie E. Upham,
Rosie N. Woodis,

Whole number of names, 56
Perfect for year, 12

*Those marked with a star have been perfect in attendance during the year.

In addition to the duties, common to school committees of small towns, your Committee have taken upon themselves the task of preparing a course of study adapted specially to the needs of our ungraded schools.

Its preparation has taken time, thought, and a close observation of the needs of our schools for several years. We do not claim to have arranged a perfect model, but we believe it is a step toward rendering the work of our schools uniform and efficient. We therefore append it to this Report.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. WHEELER,	} <i>School Committee</i>	
CHARLES R. BARTLETT,		} <i>of Rutland.</i>
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,		



A COURSE OF STUDY

PREPARED FOR

THE COMMON SCHOOLS
OF RUTLAND,

1888,

BY THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

GRADE I.

First Reader. Number Lessons. Writing in Tracing Books with pencil. Slate Exercises in Drawing and Writing. Observation Lessons.

GRADE II.

Second Reader. Arithmetic, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division to 60. (Page 40, Primary Arithmetic.) Spelling from Reader and Spelling Book. Writing, with ink, Book A. Copying Reading Exercises in Script. Drawing, Book I. Language, Correct Expression. First Lessons in Physiology. Observation Lessons continued. Primary Geography commenced.

INTERMEDIATE GRADE.

Third and Fourth Readers. Primary Arithmetic completed. Colburn's Arithmetic commenced. Practical Arithmetic to Decimals. Primary Geography completed, and Common School Geography to Map of U. S. Language Lessons. Child's History of U. S. Drawing. Writing to Book 5. Dictation Exercises. Spelling to Sec. V. Intermediate Physiology.

GRAMMAR GRADE.

Practical Arithmetic completed and Reviewed. Geography completed and Reviewed. U. S. History completed and Reviewed. English Grammar and Analysis, both Oral and by Diagram. Writing. Dictation Exercises. Exercises in English Composition. Physiology. Drawing. Spelling. * Physical Geography.

* Optional only to those Pupils who are excellent in the other branches of this course.

Those pupils whose deportment has been excellent upon completing this course, and successfully taking the final examination, are entitled to a certificate, signed by the Teacher and School Committee, testifying to the same.

Moral Training, and the inculcation of Temperance, the Love of Truth, and all those virtues which tend to form a pure and noble character, must be actively continued throughout the course.

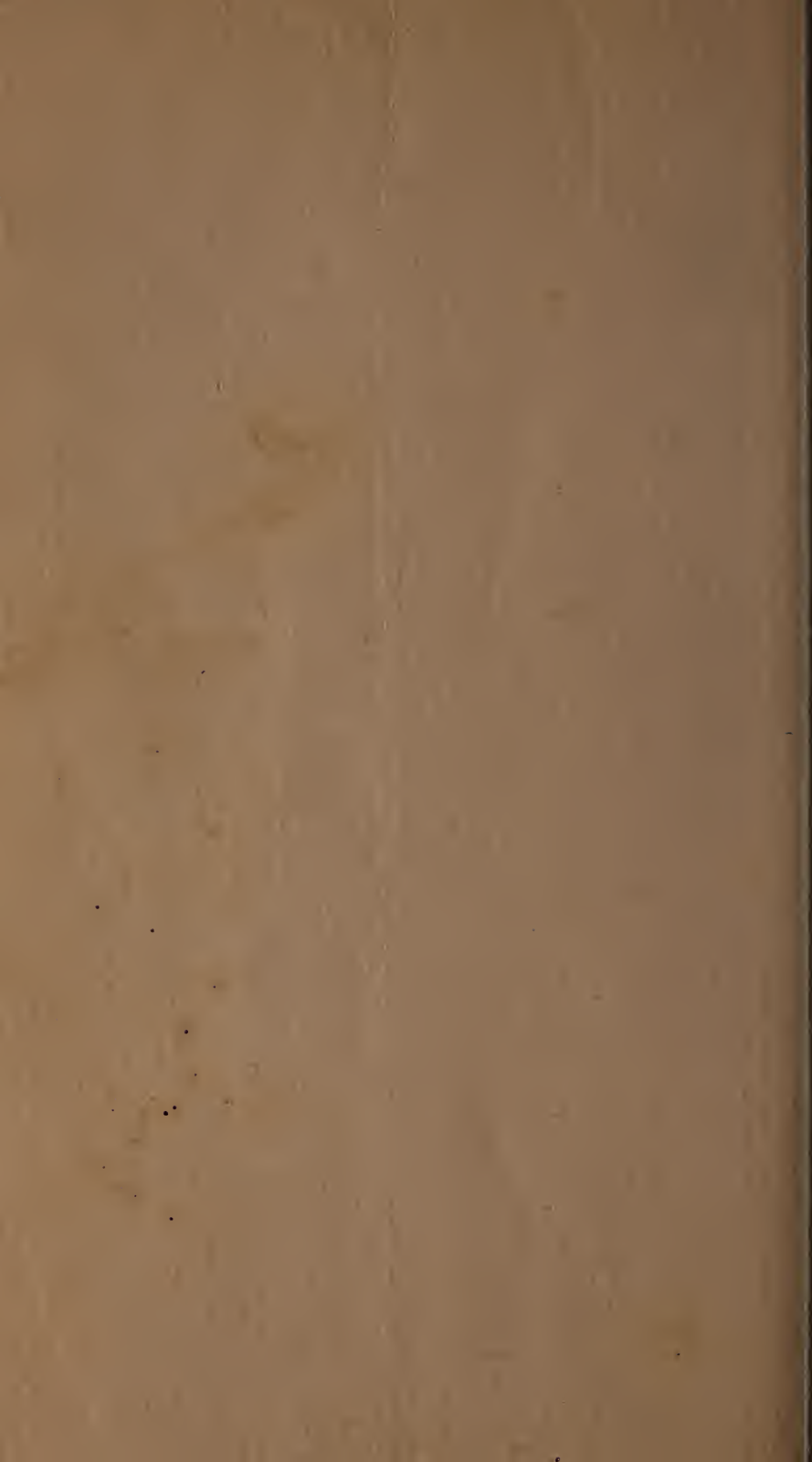
Attention must be paid to Politeness in all the exercises of the School Room, and no profane or vile language must be tolerated while the Pupil is within the jurisdiction of the Teacher.

No Teacher will be excused from enforcing, with all the authority at his or her command, the above directions.

WALTER A. WHEELER,
CHARLES R. BARTLETT,
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,

School Committee, 1888.








ANNUAL REPORTS
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Town of Rutland,



For the Year Ending Feb'y 15,
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WORCESTER :
PRINTED BY EDWARD H. TRIPP,
No. 377 MAIN STREET, ROOM 11.

TOWN OFFICERS.

MODERATOR :

CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

TOWN CLERK :

GEORGE A. PUTNAM.

SELECTMEN :

M. R. MOULTON, F. G. BARTLETT, T. SIBLEY HEALD.

OVERSEERS OF POOR :

DAVID F. SMITH, HENRY A. KENNEN, J. M. SKINNER.

ASSESSORS :

FRED S. HUNT, FREEMAN R. FOSTER, ALBERT D. PRATT.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR :

FREEMAN R. FOSTER.

ROAD COMMISSIONER :

HENRY A. KENNEN.

CONSTABLES :

GEORGE S. PUTNAM, FREEMAN R. FOSTER,
JOSEPH M. MOULTON, FRANK C. CHEEVER.

• SEXTON :

GEORGE S. PUTNAM.

LIBRARIAN :

Mrs. FREEMAN R. FOSTER.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE :

Mrs. GEORGE B. MUNROE, Mrs. FREEMAN R. FOSTER,
GEORGE A. PUTNAM.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND PARK :

CALEB A. WARE, GEO. E. BIGELOW, GEO. A. PUTNAM.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER :

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, CALEB A. WARE,
LYMAN F. PARTRIDGE, ADDISON CHILDS.
CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

FENCE VIEWERS :

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, GEORGE S. PUTNAM, JOHN B. KING.

AUDITOR :

LAWTON T. HADLEY.

WARRANT

FOR

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 3, 1890.

WORCESTER, SS. TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN
OF RUTLAND.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Rutland, on Monday, the third day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following Articles, to wit :

1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To see if the Town will accept the Reports of the Town Officers for the past year, or act thereon.
4. To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.
5. To determine the compensation of Treasurer, and Collector of Taxes.
6. To see what sums of money the Town will raise for the support of the Public Schools ; for Repairs on the Highways ; for the Support of the Poor ; for Lighting the Street Lamps ; for use Memorial day ; for Contingent Expenses, and Paying Debts ; and appropriate the same.
7. To see if the Town will accept the List of Jurors, as presented by the Selectmen.
8. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town, under the direction of the Selectmen.

9. To see if the Town will instruct their Assessors to abate any Taxes in the hands of their Collector.

10. To see what interest shall be paid on Taxes not paid in a specified time.

11. To vote by ballot, Yes or No, to the question, Shall License be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town.

12. To see what method the Town will adopt to have the Town House taken care of the ensuing year.

13. To see what method the Town will adopt for digging and filling Graves, and attending Funerals with the Hearse, the ensuing year.

14. To see if the Town will purchase a new Hearse, or act thereon.

15. To see if the Town will vote to improve the Old Cemetery, near the Town Hall, or act thereon.

16. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee to provide transportation for children of school age to and from school houses remote from their homes, and make appropriation to carry the same into effect, or act thereon.

17. To determine the manner of warning future meetings.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to the vote of said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Schedule of Property, as Appraised by the Overseers,

FEBRUARY 12, 1890.

Real Estate,	\$2,500 00
Expense for hen house and granary,	140 00
Farming tools and household furniture,	700 00
2 horses,	250 00
11 cows,	357 00
6 shoats,	60 00
17 tons English hay,	272 00
1 ton meadow hay,	6 00
30 fowls,	19 50
30 bushels of corn and meal,	18 00
Grass seed,	2 25
8½ bushels of beans,	21 25
Seed corn and peas,	4 00
25 bushels of potatoes,	12 50
Garden vegetables,	5 00
Cranberries,	2 00
5 barrels of vinegar,	30 00
Salt pork,	24 00
Salt beef,	13 25
Hams,	14 40
Lard and butter,	7 00
Tallow and candles,	5 00

Pickles and sauce,	\$ 8 60
Flour and crackers,	8 50
Soap and salt,	3 50
Spices,	1 00
Sugar and molasses,	3 00
Barb wire,	8 00
Fresh beef,	3 50
Phosphate and lime,	2 50—\$4501 75

SUMMARY OF EXPENSE AT ALMSHOUSE.

Interest on real and personal estate, appraised	
Feb. 14, 1889, at 6% on \$4294.00,	\$257 64
Salary of Warden for the year ending Apr. 1, '90,	375 00
Bought Flour, grain and crackers,	191 91
Groceries,	139 03
Meat and fish,	36 54
Cloth, yarn and thread,	4 43
Tin and iron ware,	5 34
Tobacco,	9 94
Boots and shoes,	2 65
Blacksmithing,	17 40
Farming tools and repairing the same,	76 22
Grass and other seeds,	8 15
Labor,	203 25
Repairing buildings,	54 64
Stock,	22 50
Hay,	55 00
Phosphate,	38 71
Coffin robe,	21 00
Medical attendance,	15 19
Lumber,	65 31
Windows,	6 03—\$1234 63
	569 20
Net expenses at farm,	\$665 43

SUMMARY OF INCOME AT ALMSHOUSE.

Sold Butter and cream,	\$250 12
Calves,	14 75
Eggs and poultry,	17 16
Vinegar,	21 30
Vegetables,	28 00
Use of horse,	8 00
Cr. by Lakeville Woolen Co.,	22 12
Increase in appraisal of property,	207 75— 569 20

The following persons have been supported at the Almshouse the past year, ending Feb. 14, 1890 :

Lucy Sawyer,	age 78,	weeks 52,
Asa Lakin,	89,	" 52,
Moses Clark,	79,	" 52,
Mrs. Wm. O. Smith,	62,	" 19,
Mrs. Asa Lakin,	85,	" 1, 3 days. Died Feb. 25, '89.
Charles Newton,	77,	" 27, 2 days. Died Aug. 25, '89.
Asahel Preston,	82,	" 31, 4 days. Died Sept. 24, '89.
Tramps,	117,	" 16, 5 days.

Whole number of weeks board, 252, Cost per week, \$2.64.

TOWN ORDERS FOR 1889 AND 1890.

Feb.	9,	Henry Ruiter, for salary,	\$100 00
March	4,	Joseph Davis, flour for Mrs. Wilson,	6 75
	11,	Walter Prescott, for hay,	14 90
	11,	Geo. S. Putnam, coffin and robe for Mrs. Lakin,	21 00
April	1,	Henry Ruiter, for salary,	100 00
	1,	D. F. Smith. for hay and repairing wagon,	20 50
	1,	Hospital bill,	41 79
May	2,	Daniel Parker, for sled,	36 00
	2,	Dr. Chamberlain, for John Kelly,	5 00
	2,	" " " Eliza Clark,	2 00
	2,	" " " Mr. Lakin,	3 00
	2,	" " " Mrs. Lakin,	3 00
	2,	" " " Mundell boy,	12 00
	2,	" " " Edwin Clark,	10 00
June	23,	N. W. Ruiter, for salary,	75 00
July	6,	F. A. Nichols, for grain and groceries,	85 93
	6,	Hospital bill,	42 25
	6,	D. F. Smith, for harness,	20 00
Aug.	23,	Lakeville Woolen Co.,	24 69
	23,	E. C. Dudley, for phosphate,	38 71
Sept.	23,	A. B. Pratt, for bull,	22 50
	23,	Joseph Davis, flour for Mrs. Wilson,	13 00
Oct.	4,	Wm. J. Hunt, for carpenter work,	50 00
	4,	Hospital bill,	42 71
Nov.	5,	N. W. Ruiter, for salary,	100 00
	5,	C. A. Ware, for lumber and sawing the same,	20 86
	5,	Joseph Davis, 3 cords of wood for Mrs. Wilson,	8 25
	5,	B. W. Potter, for grass,	26 10
	5,	B. W. Potter, counsel on Munnell case,	3 00
	29,	Joseph Davis, flour for Mrs. Wilson,	5 75

Dec.	18,	Dr. Chamberlain, for Lakin,	\$ 3 00
	18,	" " for Charles Newton,	3 00
	18,	" " for Edwin Clark,	2 00
	18,	" " for Mrs. E. Clark,	2 00
Dec.	19,	W. J. Hunt, for carpenter work,	16 50
Jan.	4,	F. A. Nichols, grain and groceries,	133 95
	25,	N. W. Ruiter, for salary,	25 00
		Hospital bill,	42 71
		F. A. Nichols, for groceries,	19 88
		Lakeville Woolen Co.,	29 94
		Danisl Parker, for lumber,	65 31
		Peter C'Connor, for smithing,	6 50
		D. F. Smith, for repairing,	5 00
		L. Q. Spaulding, for windows,	4 00
		E. Wellington, for digging graves,	2 25
		Insuring building,	21 00
		D. A. Putnam, for Rice family,	22 00
		Henry Converse, for windows and beef,	2 03
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			\$1,360 76

EXPENSE OF SUPPORTING PAUPERS OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid	Lunatic Asylum, for Wm. O. Smith,	\$169 46
	Joseph Davis, for wood and flour for Mrs. Wilson,	27 50
	Dr. Chamberlin, for John Kelly,	5 00
	" " for Eliza Clark,	2 00
	" " for Edwin Clark,	14 00
	" " for Mrs. Mundell's boy,	12 00
	B. W. Potter, for counsel,	3 00
	D. A. Putnam, for E. Rice's family,	22 00
	E. Willington, for digging graves,	2 25
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	Making a total of	257 21
	Expense at Almshouse,	665 43
	Overseers' services,	52 00
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		\$974 64

Rec'd of	Miles Holden, on account of W. O. Smith,	31 80
"	" " Orin Ackly,	7 00— 38 80
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		\$935 84

As expense of supporting Town and other Paupers for the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Feb. 13, 1890.	D. F. SMITH,	} Overseers of the Poor.
	H. A. KENNEN,	

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Town of Rutland in account with F. R. FOSTER, Treasurer.

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1889.

Feb.	25,	Received of D. F. Smith, guardian for W. O. Smith,	\$ 31 80
March	11,	Received of G. A. Putnam, Treasurer, 1888,	1,609 14
	11,	Received of G. A. Putnam, Treasurer, 1888,	18 65
	13,	Received of F. R. Foster, cash to balance account of 1887,	48 26
	18,	Received of L. M. Hanff, collector for 1888,	130 00
	23,	Received of George A. Putnam, Treasurer for 1888,	3 91
	23,	Received of L. M. Hanff, Collector for 1888,	125 00
April	6,	Received of L. M. Hanff, Collector for 1888,	200 00
	6,	Received of F. R. Foster, interest on taxes of 1887,	25 11
May	4,	Received of L. M. Hanff, Collector for 1888,	395 00
	31,	Received of Worcester Co. Institution for Savings,	1,000 00
June	1,	Received of L. M. Hanff, Collector for 1888,	90 00
	22,	Received of L. M. Hanff, Collector for 1888,	120 00
	28,	Received of L. M. Hanff, Collector for 1888,	100 00
	29,	Received of Schuyler Prouty, cash borrowed,	300 00
	29,	Received of Cemetery Association, cash,	200 00
July	1,	Received of George A. Putnam, cash borrowed,	400 00
Aug.	3,	Received of L. M. Hanff, Collector for 1888,	100 00
	19,	Received of J. W. Bigelow, cash borrowed,	150 00
Sept.	7,	Received of G. W. Hudson, cash for use of Town Hall,	6 05
	21,	Received of Overseers of Poor, for Oren Ackley,	7 00
	21,	Received of L. M. Hanff, Collector for 1888,	154 00
	19,	Received of Peoples Savings Bank, cash borrowed,	1,000 00
Nov.	9,	Received of L. M. Hanff, Collector for 1888,	100 00
Dec.	9,	Received of State Treasurer, Corporation tax,	19 92
		Received of State Treasurer, National Bank tax,	10 19
		Received of State Treasurer, State Aid, Chap. 252, act 77,	119 00
		Received of State Treasurer, State Aid, Chap. 301, act 79,	250 00
	21,	Received of County Treasurer, Dog Fund,	175 82

1890.			
Jan.	8,	Received of L. M. Hanff, Collector for 1888,	126 00
	16,	Received of L. M. Hanff, Collector for 1888,	80 00
	25,	Received of State Treasurer, School Fund,	306 98
		Received of E. Muzzy, for Gravel,	50
		Received amount of Tax Bills, for 1889,	8980 46
		Received interest on Taxes paid, for 1889,	13 70
Feb.	14,	Received of L. M. Hanff, interest on Taxes of 1888,	44 22
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			\$16,540 71

Dr.

1889.			
March	1,	Paid interest on note to Wor. Co. Institution for Savings,	\$337 50
	4,	Paid Abatement on Taxes of 1888,	14 40
Feb.	2,	Paid Abatement on Taxes of 1888,	4 25
April	23,	Paid Abatement on Taxes of 1888,	193 10
July	1,	Paid G. A. Putnam, int. on J. A. Greenleaf note,	59 29
	1,	Paid G. A. Putnam, interest on his note,	4 50
Aug.	10,	Paid Assessors' Abatement on Taxes of 1888,	8 25
	31,	Paid Wor. Co. Institution for Savings, interest,	337 50
Oct.	8,	Paid County Tax,	320 00
Dec.	9,	Paid State Tax.	480 00
	21,	Paid J. W. Bigelow, interest on Note,	60 00
	31,	Paid Worcester Co. Institution for Savings, Note and Interest,	1023 22
1890.			
Jan.	1,	Paid G. A. Putnam, int. on J. A. Greenleaf note,	59 29
		Paid G. A. Putnam, interest on his two notes,	16 50
	3,	Paid Assessors' Abatement,	1 19
	17,	Paid People's Savings Bank, Note and Interest,	1013 22
		Paid 208 Selectmen's Orders	8165 38
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			\$12,097 59
		Cash on hand,	\$1261 79
		Tax Bills,	3181 33
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		Balance in Treasury, Feb. 14, 1890,	\$4,443 12

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Respectfully submitted,

F. R. FOSTER, *Treasurer.*

SELECTMEN'S REPORT .

OF THE

Financial Condition of the Town at the Present Date.

FEBRUARY 15, 1890.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer during the past year 208 orders, amounting to the sum of \$8,165.38.

The appropriations for the Town were as follows:

State Tax,	\$480 00
County Tax,	320 00
Town Grant,	8,000 00
Overlayings,	60 78
Additional Assessments,	119 68

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Worcester County Institution for Savings,	\$17 00 00
John A. Greenleaf,	1,976 45
J. W. Bigelow,	1,150 00
George A. Putnam,	550 00
Schuyler Prouty,	300 00
Cemetery Association,	200 00
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	\$19,176 45

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from State Aid,	\$300 00	
George W. Hudson, Janitor,	11 31	
Henry Converse, Trustee,	1,150 00	
George A. Putnam, Treasurer,	638 19	
F. R. Foster, Treasurer,	4,443 12	
Town Farm, stock and tools,	4,294 00	
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		\$10,836 62
Showing a balance against the Town of		\$8,339 73

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid George A. Putnam,	\$14 80
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SELECTMEN.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	\$31 50
F. G. Bartlett,	30 00
T. S. Heald,	30 00— 91 50

ASSESSORS.

Paid Fred S. Hunt,	\$36 00
F. R. Foster,	35 15
A. B. Pratt,	30 00—101 15

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid D. F. Smith,	\$30 00
J. M. Skinner,	7 00
H. A. Kennen,	15 00— 52 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid C. R. Bartlett,	\$40 50
W. A. Wheeler,	16 00
Wm. C. Temple,	25 00— 81 50

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid F. R. Foster,	150 00
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CONSTABLES.

Paid J. M. Moulton,	\$4 50
F. R. Foster,	10 00 —14 50

SEXTONS.

Paid George S. Putnam,	\$65 50
E. Wellington,	1 50 —67 00

LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. F. R. Foster,	52 00
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	\$6 00
F. G. Bartlett,	6 00
T. S. Heald,	6 00
Geo. A. Putnam,	8 00— 26 00
	<hr/> \$650 45

ORDERS PAID.

1889.

Date.	No. of Order.		
April 6,	1	D. A. Putnam, Overseers' bill,	\$22 00
	2	Henry D. Ruiter, Overseers,	100 00
	3	Joseph Davis, snow and Overseers,	8 50
	4	Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Overseers,	41 79
	5	D. F. Smith, Overseers,	20 50
	6	Schuyler Prouty, Insurance, Overseers,	21 00
	7	Geo. L. Holden, snow,	13 50
	8	Walter A. Wheeler, schools,	125 00
	9	Herbert Bartlett, schools,	4 25
	10	Miles Holden, snow and highway,	27 25
	11	Geo. E. Allen, old bill for 1888,	30 00
	12	S. D. & Merrill Chickering, snow and highway,	7 16
	13	Henry D. Ruiter, Overseers, 1888,	100 00
	14	Geo. S. Putnam, Overseers,	21 00
	15	Richard Cody, snow,	7 00
	16	E. H. Tripp, printing,	43 00
	17	F. R. Foster, State Aid,	44 00
	18	L. Q. Spaulding, Town Clock, etc.	32 82

1889.

Date.	No. of Order.		
April 6,	19	T. Sibley Heald, highway,	\$13 25
	20	James Hammond, snow,	83
	21	John N. Sargent, snow,	8 97
	22	Wm. H. Hammond, snow,	2 66
	23	John Welsh, snow and highway,	27 10
	24	Otis N. Chickering, snow,	29 45
	25	D. P. Avery, snow,	2 33
	26	Henry D. Rice, highway,	3 66
	27	Henry A. Kennen, highway and snow,	74 50
	28	Geo. S. Putnam, Sexton,	11 75
May 4,	29	W. E. Chamberlain, Overseers,	35 00
	30	E. C. Dudley, schools,	9 35
	31	J. S. Moore, schools,	4 00
	32	D. M. Parker, Overseers,	36 00
	33	Elbridge Acker, snow,	1 67
	34	Wm. H. Prescott, snow,	4 33
	35	Peter O'Connor, sundries,	13 50
	36	Wheeler Reflector Co., street light,	5 95
	37	F. R. Foster, State Aid,	44 00
	38	C. H. Upham, snow,	1 36
	39	Ebenezer B. Wellington, Sexton,	1 50
	40	Michael Leary, highway,	13 50
	41	Frank Barr, schools,	2 50
	42	Wm. H. Barr, snow,	4 67
	43	T. Sibley Heald, highway,	96 00
	44	J. A. Strong, snow,	1 75
	45	Zebulon Strong, snow,	4 00
	46	John Welsh, highway,	1 58
June 1,	47	Henry A. Kennen, highway, &c.	505 16
	48	Era C. Dudley, snow,	1 80
	49	Olive M. Moulton, school,	24 00
	50	Florence Spooner, school,	26 00
	51	Charles R. Bartlett, school,	43 00
	52	D. F. Smith, Memorial,	25 00
	53	F. R. Foster, State Aid,	40 00
	54	T. S. Heald, highway,	41 00
	55	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	730 46
July 6,	56	Alice L. Rize, school,	65 00
	57	Fanny C. Farnsworth, school,	72 50
	58	H. L. Senter, school,	70 00
	59	Olive L. Moulton, school,	36 00
	60	Ida M. Buckley, school,	70 00
	61	Sarah H. Bray, school,	60 00
	62	Florence M. Spooner, school,	39 60
	63	Marcia P. Hill, school,	90 00

1889.

Date.	No. of Order.		
July 6,	64	N. W. Ruiter, Overseers,	\$75 00
	65	Alfred Hatstatt, highway and snow,	7 01
	66	Robert O'Leary, school,	3 50
	67	Bertie Bartlett, school,	2 00
	68	Lewis Baker, school,	2 00
	69	James Hunter, snow,	25
	70	F. R. Foster, State Aid,	40 00
	71	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	509 30
	72	M. R. Moulton, Selectman,	15 00
Aug. 3,	73	F. A. Nichols, Overseers,	85 93
	74	Wheeler Reflector Co., street light,	26 33
	75	Worcester Hospital, Overseers,	42 25
	76	Geo. A. Putnam, Sexton,	13 75
	77	John B. Wells, schools,	40 25
	78	Joseph M. Moulton, Constable,	2 00
	79	Walter A. Wheeler, School Committee,	16 00
	80	F. R. Foster, State Aid,	40 00
	81	Mrs. F. R. Foster, Librarian,	26 00
	82	F. R. Foster, Constable and Treasurer.	7 50
Sept. 7,	83	T. Sibley Heald, highway,	6 90
	84	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	29 50
	85	Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	13 99
	86	C. H. Upham, schools,	18 00
	87	Edward Whitney, schools,	12 10
	88	Louis M. Hanff, schools,	37 85
	89	L. Q. Spaulding, Town Clock,	4 20
	90	Lakeville Woolen Co., Overseers,	29 94
	91	F. R. Foster, State Aid,	40 00
	92	T. Sibley Heald, Selectman,	15 00
October 5,	93	Amos Strong, contingent,	13 30
	94	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	243 84
	95	Henry A. Kennen, bridges,	108 50
	96	Henry A. Kennen, bridges,	5 40
	97	E. H. Tripp, printing,	25 00
	98	Edward Mellen, snow,	6 87
	99	Henry A. Kennen, sundries,	18 17
	100	Lakeville Woolen Co., Overseers,	24 69
	101	Wm. J. Hunt, Overseers,	50 00
	102	Joseph Davis, Overseers,	13 00
	103	E. W. Partridge, school,	2 00
	104	Era C. Dudley, Overseers,	38 71
	105	F. R. Foster, State Aid,	40 00
	106	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	192 00
	107	Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Overseers,	42 71
	108	A. B. Pratt, Overseers,	22 50

1889.

Date.	No. of Order.		
October 5,	109	Wheeler Reflector Co., street light,	\$47 45
	110	Blake, Boutwell & Co., bridges,	14 20
	111	Johnson & Weston, schools,	7 25
	112	Chas. Baker & Co., bridges,	163 98
	113	Lawson S. Brigham, snow,	2 38
	114	F. R. Foster, State Aid,	32 00
Dec. 7,	115	Walter A. Wheeler, school,	6 65
	116	B. W. Potter, Overseers,	26 10
	117	Joseph Davis, highway,	4 20
	118	Joseph Davis, Overseers,	14 00
	119	B. F. Browning, schools,	4 37
	120	Caleb A. Ware, Overseers,	20 86
	121	Wm. C. Temple, School Com. bill,	15 00
	122	Frank Forbush, bridge,	8 83
	123	Dennis O'Herron, snow,	4 33
	124	Daniel Leary, snow,	4 00
	125	Walter A. Wheeler, schools,	100 00
	126	N. W. Ruiter, Overseers,	100 00
	127	Boston School Supply Co., schools,	76 09
	128	Wheeler Reflector Co., street light,	30 03
	129	Joseph M. Moulton, Constable,	2 50
	130	Olive L. Moulton, schools,	54 00
	131	Willie Demond, schools,	2 25
	132	Oliver C. Fairbank, highway,	1 60
	133	Florence M. Spooner, schools,	28 00
	134	F. R. Foster, Assessor,	35 15
	135	F. R. Foster, State Aid,	24 00
	136	Daniel M. Parker, Overseers,	65 31
	137	T. Sibley Heald, highway,	3 75
	138	Geo. A. Putnam, for Library,	48 00
	139	Geo. A. Putnam, Town Clerk, &c.	32 77
	140	Henry A. Kennen, highway, &c.	133 67
	141	Amos Strong, sundry,	6 34
	142	F. A. Nichols, Overseers,	133 95

1890.

Jan. 4,	143	Wm. E. Chamberlain, Overseers,	10 00
	144	B. W. Potter, Overseers,	3 00
	145	Wm. J. Hunt, Overseers,	16 50
	146	Sarah H. Bray, school,	98 00
	147	Marcia P. Hill, school,	127 50
	148	L. S. Fogg, school,	29 50
	149	H. Jones Davis, school,	3 67
	150	Florence M. Spooner, school,	70 00
	151	L. S. Fogg, school,	65 00
	152	Susie M. Hill, school,	84 50

1890.

Date.	No. of Order.		
Jan. 4,	153	Walter A. Wheeler, school,	\$117 50
	154	Edith M. Marsh, school,	98 00
	155	Edward Whitney, school,	14 67
	156	Louis H. Baker, school,	3 00
	157	Louis E. Moore, school,	4 30
	158	Bertie D. Bartlett, school,	2 50
	159	Charles L. Ware, school,	1 90
	160	John M'Grath, school,	2 00
	161	F. R. Foster, State Aid,	24 00
	162	Geo. P. Woodis, brush, &c ,	4 42
	163	Daniel Nihin, highway,	85
	164	Wm. H. Hammond, highway,	4 50
	165	Geo. Armitage, highway,	25 00
Feb. 1,	166	Fred S. Hunt, Assessor, &c.,	38 00
	167	Olive L. Moulton, school,	30 00
	168	Michael Loughman, highway,	4 55
	169	C. J. Campbell, school,	4 00
	170	N. W. Ruiter, Overseers.	25 00
	171	Walter A. Hunter, school,	35 00
	172	Robert O'Leary, school,	3 50
	173	Willie Demond, school,	1 25
	174	F. R. Foster, State Aid,	24 00
	175	F. R. Foster, Constable,	2 50
	176	Mrs. F. R. Foster, Librarian,	26 00
	177	J. M. Skinner, Overseer,	7 00
	178	J. M. Taylor, snow, &c.	23 58
	179	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	5 50
	180	A. B. Pratt, Assessor,	30 00
	181	Wheeler Reflector Co., street light,	29 12
	182	Geo. E. Allen,	17 00
	183	Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Overseers,	42 71
	184	A. W. Davis, schools,	1 00
	185	Sarah E. Bryant, school,	119 00
	186	Bertie D. Bartlett, school,	3 50
	187	F. A. Nichols, Overseers,	19 88
	188	Walter H. Prescott, Overseers,	13 50
	189	Sylvester Prescott, Overseers,	1 40
	190	Geo. L. Holden, highway,	13 00
	191	M. R. Moulton, Selectman and Register,	22 50
	192	Francis G. Bartlett, Selectman and Register,	36 00
	193	T. Sibley Heald, Selectman and Register,	24 00
	194	Chas. R. Bartlett, schools, &c.	93 05
	195	L. Q. Spaulding,	45 00
	196	Peter O'Conner.	3 00
	197	L. M. Hanff, schools,	2 00

1890.

Date,	No. of Order.		
Feb. 1,	198	E. B. Wellington, Overseers,	\$2 25
	199	Peter O'Conner, Overseers,	6 50
	200	L. Q. Spaulding, Overseers,	4 00
Feb. 13,	201	D. F. Smith, Overseers,	5 00
	202	D. F. Smith, Overseers,	20 00
	203	Henry A. Kennen, Overseers,	15 00
	204	Geo. S. Putnam, Sexton,	40 00
	205	David F. Smith, Overseer,	30 00
	206	F. R. Foster, Collector,	150 00
	207	Henry Converse, Overseers,	2 03
	208	Wm. C. Temple, School Committee,	10 00
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			\$8,165 38

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Clerk,	\$14 80
Selectmen,	91 50
Assessors,	101 15
Overseers of Poor,	52 00
School Committee,	81 50
Collector and Treasurer,	150 00
Constables,	14 50
Sextons,	67 00
Librarian,	52 00
Registrars of Voters,	26 00
Street Lights,	138 95
Contingent,	760 61
Overseers' Orders,	1,360 76
Breaking Roads,	146 61
State Aid,	392 00
Cutting brush,	203 15
Highways,	2,378 17
Schools,	2,109 68
Memorial Day,	25 00
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	\$8,165 38

It will be seen from the financial exhibit, the Town indebtedness remains about the same as a year ago. But for the over expenditures in the highway department, and the new bridges built, the balance would have been in the Town's favor about 1500 dollars. In regard to this extra expense, we have to say, that the Bridge expenses were unavoidable, as upon examination by experts they were found unsafe for public use. The new ones we regard as a credit to the builder. The extra expense on the Highways was for the most part unavoidable, as we deemed it necessary, to protect the Town from damage and liability to litigation.

A LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS 1890.

WALTER H. BARTLETT,
 IRA G. DUDLEY,
 LYMAN A. BAKER,
 LAWTON T. HADLEY,
 ARTHUR F. BROWN,
 JOHN E. LEARY,
 H. EDWARD WHEELER,

DENNIS O'HERRON,
 GEORGE W. COWDEN,
 GEORGE ARMITAGE,
 PAUL WHEELER,
 CHESTER W. DODGE,
 FRANK D. FORBUSH,
 GEORGE H. MILES.

GUIDE POSTS.

In obedience to the laws of the Commonwealth, we report in regard to Guide Posts, that they are erected in the following places :

One near E. C. Dudley's. Two at the junction of the roads leading from Barre to Paxton. One near Miles Holden's. Two near F. A. Nichols' store. One near the Muschopogue House. Two on Pound Hill. One near Walter H. Bartlett's. One near Benjamin Allen's. Two near Alfred Hatstat's. One near No. 1 School house. One near the J. C. Greenleaf place. One near D. R. Wheeler's. Two near M. M. Smith's. One near the New Boston mills. Two near Erastus Dean place. One near Charles E. Reid's. One near Daniel Nyhin's. One near Addison Child's. One near Charles R. Bartlett's place. Two near T. Sibley Heald's.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

RUTLAND, Feb. 15th, 1890.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

RUTLAND, Feb. 14, 1890.

I have examined the Reports of the Treasurer and Selectmen, and find them properly vouched and correctly cast.

L. T. HADLEY, *Auditor.*

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

TO THE SELECTMEN OF RUTLAND :

As Highway Surveyor of the Town of Rutland, I have expended the following sums, for which I have received your orders on the Treasurer :

Amount worked out in the following months :

Month of March,	\$70 00
April,	415 75
May,	730 46
June,	509 30
July,	29 50
August, per order,	243 84
September, per order,	184 50
November, per order,	124 17
December, per order,	26 42
	<hr/> \$2,333 94

Amonnt paid out for labor on roads and cutting brush :

Amount expended for cutting brush,	\$203 15
Andrew Charter,	142 72
Mr. Spooner,	4 50
Amos Strong,	273 60
Mr. Valley,	13 50
Jacob Rand,	141 60
Frank O'Leary,	79 42
Mr. Larose,	55 73
Daniel O'Leary,	267 50
Tom O'Connors,	36 89
Mr. Burke,	68 55
John Kelley,	47 00

Daniel O'Connors,	\$ 5 25
E. C. Dudley,	81 50
Dennis O'Leary,	35 40
John O'Leary,	47 12
Mr. Sprague,	10 42
George Strong,	14 28
T. Sibley Heald,	111 50
Zebulon Strong,	8 05
H. A. Kennen,	866 89
Michael O'Leary,	1 00
A. P. Avery,	60
James Taylor,	20 92
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	\$2,537 09

NUMBER OF TOOLS ON HAND.

1 Plow,	4 Picks,
1 Hand Scraper,	4 Hoes,
1 Long handle Spade,	1 Steel Bar,
4 Spades,	1 Bush Scythe and Snath,
3 Shovels,	1 Cleaver,
1 Fork,	2 Road Machines.
3 Rakes,	

I would recommend that some action be taken in regard to the Culverts in the Town, and set aside some portion of the money appropriated for that purpose, as there are quite number that need to be repaired, and quite a number of old ones to be taken up.

I would recommend that some action be taken in regard to the Centre road from Holden line to West Rutland, as it is in the worst shape of any in Town. Also the Railings need repairing. You will see by the Selectmen's Report that I have repaired quite a number, and there are many more that need repairing.

There have been two new Bridges made, and three old ones repaired.

Bought of Blake, Boutwell & Co. Bolts and Caps,	\$14 20
Bought of Charles Baker, Lumber,	163 98
Freight,	13 99
H. A. Kennen, for chestnut timber,	4 40
Backsmithing,	1 00
Spikes and nails,	4 90
Labor on Bridges and abutments,	108 50
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	\$310 97

Labor on Bridges,	Andrew Charter,	\$16 50
	Wm. Hunt,	24 00
	Zebulon Strong,	8 00
	Amos Strong,	14 00
	H. A. Kennen,	46 00
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		\$108 50
New Boston Bridge cost		162 52
Clarke Bridge cost		135 95
Seargent Bridge cost		12 50
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		\$310 97
Hammond Bridge cost		9 50
Leadbetter Bridge cost		7 50
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		\$17 00

H. A. KENNEN, *Highway Surveyor.*

RUTLAND, Feb. 15, 1890.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY. OF RUTLAND.

GENTLEMEN :

The following is the financial account of the Library for the past year :

RESOURCES.

Appropriation by the Town,	\$100 00	
Received for Catalogues sold,	1 00	
Amount of fines received and on hand,	5 92	
Received gift from Miss Brainard,	25	
Received gift from Miss Adeline Brown,	1 00	
Received gift from Wm. P. Upham,	1 00	
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		\$109 17

EXPENDED.

Balance due Committee from last year,	\$5 60	
Paid for Printing rules for books,	1 25	
Two new books,	92	
Binding books,	16 25	
Express on books and postage,	1 34	
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Paper and gum for repairs,	60	
Librarian's salary,	52 00	
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		\$77 96
Balance,		<hr/>
		\$31 21

We have bought two books the past year, Robert Elsmere, No 1291; Harry Lorrequer, No. 1292; and from friends have received the following books as gifts to the Library:

No. 1293	All's Dross but Love,	<i>From some one unknown</i>
1294	Opportunities in Life, or Conditions of Success,	<i>Hon. J. H. Walker</i>
1295	Madaline,	<i>Mrs. Otis Demond</i>
1296	Philip Augustus,	<i>Hon. J. E. Russell</i>
1297	Geraldine,	" "
1298	Honey Moon and other Stories,	" "
1299	Queenie Hetherton,	<i>Mrs. Otis Demond</i>
1300	Good Manners,	<i>L. Q. Spaulding</i>
1301	History of Utah,	<i>Hon. Wilford Woodruff</i>

We have also received from Charles T. Munroe, of Leicester, the numbers for two years of the North American Review, which we will get bound soon. Hon. J. E. Russell, also sent a number of Reports; and the Secretary of the Commonwealth has sent Census Report, Special Laws, Manual of the General Court, and a number of other books.

The number of books that were taken out for the past year was 1772.

We wish to repeat the last sentence of the report for last year, namely: "We renew our former suggestions as to the treatment of books; a good book is a good friend, let us treat it as such." And also to say that more care *must* be taken by a few persons of the books they take out.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH E. MUNROE,	}	<i>Library Committee.</i>
LUCY H. FOSTER,		
GEORGE A. PUTNAM.		

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1890.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for 1889 :

BIRTHS. 20.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE OF BIRTH.
Joseph Shaw, Jr.	Joseph and Zoe (Flibbert) Shaw,	Jan. 13, 1889
Edwin Hunter Prescott,	Edwin S. and Abbie R. (Hunter)	
	Prescott,	Apr. 10,
Frances Willard Hadley,	Lawton T. and Hattie E. (Weston)	
	Hadley,	11,
John Francis Connor,	Thomas H. and Nancy (Gilman)	
	Connor,	28,
Frank Neuman Lee,	Bert C. and Ida E. (Neuman) Lee,	May 31,
Lisa Coriene Stone,	John Murphy and Emma J. Stone,	June 25,
Waldo William Hunt,	Frederick S. and Abbie R. (Wales)	
	Hunt,	27,
Henrietta Maria Miles,	George H. and Etta L. (Miles) Miles,	Aug. 8,
Alice Louise Hunt,	William J. and Ida L. (Foster) Hunt,	9,
Julia Elizabeth Rice,	James J. and Julia E. (Holoran) Rice,	24,
Florence Andrews Kennen,	Henry A. and Eunice A. (White)	
	Kennen,	Sep. 17,
Everett Franklin Handy,	George F. and Addie R. (Baker)	
	Handy,	28,
Albert Francis Wales,	Warren G. and Alice M. (Pratt) Wales,	30,
William Josselyn Lawless,	William E. and Blanche J. (Josselyn)	
	Lawless,	Oct. 9,
Henry Robert Smith,	Dennis A. and Lydia G. (Miles)	
	Smith,	31,
Edward AtLee Hanff,	Louis M. and Frances P. Hanff,	Nov. 29,
Alice Sarah Wallwork,	James J. and Emma N. (Woodis)	
	Wallwork,	Dec. 7,
James Edward O'Connor,	Peter S. and Mary E. (Hunt)	
	O'Conner,	10,
Stella Eugenia Millett,	Joseph and Rosalia L. (Davis) Millett	14,
Laura May Bigelow,	F. Cortez and Mary N. (Hubbard)	
	Bigelow,	24,

MARRIAGES. 11.

Feb. 4, 1889,	Thomas Bond of Rutland and Jane L. Hastings of Worcester.
6,	Walter Irving Acker and Mary L. Barr, both of Rutland.
Mar. 14,	George M. Taylor and Anna Hammond, both of Rutland.
April 4,	William E. Lawless of Rutland and Blanche J. Josselyn of Barre.
May 21,	Frank D. Forbush and Jennie E. Campbell, both of Rutland.
7,	Frederic B. Stearns and H. Gertrude Kennen, both of Rutland.
July 20,	Joshua Henderson and Mary J. Williams, both of Rutland.
27,	Albert E. Clark of Rutland and Catharine B. LaFlorie of Winchester, N. H.
Aug. 17,	J. Edwin Valley and Margaret T. Burke, both of Rutland.
Dec. 25,	William Burke and Anna J. Lawless, both of Rutland.
25,	Benjamin W. Kinney of Worcester and Nellie F. Munroe of Rutland.

DEATHS. 21.

DATE.	NAMES.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
1889.		yrs.	mo.	ds.	
Feb. 5,	No name, Sargent,				Stillborn.
25,	Herbert C. Temple,	16	9		Pleuro Pneumonia.
25,	Mrs. Eliza Lakin,	84			Paralysis.
Mar. 13,	Clarence A. Strong,		8	20	Cerebral Meningitis.
April 2,	Howard Era LaRose,		9		Pneumonia.
7,	Miss Catharine Muzzy,	78	10	1	Disease of the Liver.
16,	Daniel Potter,	78	11	6	Injury. Exhaustion.
17,	Mrs. Sarah G. Bemis,	82	1	10	Apoplexy
June 6,	Frank Neuman Lee,			5	Convulsions.
22,	George Terrill,	46			Dislocation of Cervical Ver-
July 14,	Horace Brooks,	89	3	6	Old Age. [tebræ.
17,	Mrs. Susan F. Houghton,	75	6		Pneumonia.
Aug. 13,	Mrs. Eunice H. Bartlett,	82		13	Apoplexy.
25,	Charles Newton,	78	7		Pneumonia.
30,	Frank E. Peirce,	30	11	24	Cerebral Hemorrhage.
Sept 24,	Asahel S. Preston,	82	8	3	Old Age.
28,	Elbridge Lane,	75	9	22	Pneumonia.
Oct. 14,	Mrs. Levina W. Hadley,	74	9	14	Catarrhal Pneumonia.
Nov. 27,	John Adams,	62	8	27	Acute Nephritis.
Dec. 4,	J. Milo Skinner,	65	5	19	Typhoid Pneumonia.
29,	James G. Shannon, M.D.	46			General Paralysis.

Number of Dogs licensed in 1889, was

94 male Dogs @ \$2 00,	\$188 00
11 female Dogs @ \$5 00,	55 00
<u>105</u>	<u>243 00</u>

Fees for registration, 21 00

Paid to County Treasurer \$222 00

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, TOWN CLERK.

RUTLAND, Feb. 14, 1890.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, FOR THE YEAR 1889.

FELLOW CITIZENS:

Nine schools have been maintained during the year just closed, seven of which have been continued through the entire year, and two have been consolidated for half the year with neighboring ones, there being in them an insufficient number of pupils to warrant the Committee in continuing their separate existence.

There has been no school in No. 9 during the year; the school in No. 2 was united with No. 4 in the summer, and No. 3 was consolidated with the same in the winter.

We estimate the advantages of such consolidation to be many. Among them may be mentioned:

1st. Better schools, more ambition on the part of both pupils and teacher.

2d. We are able to secure better teachers; no teacher who is anxious to excel in her calling *prefers* to have a school of half a dozen pupils.

3d. In many, if not in all cases, the pupils are transported from their own to the neighboring school with less exposure of physical health than to walk the half mile or more to their own school-house.

4th. Less cases of absenteeism and tardiness; in fact, none of the latter on the part of children thus carried.

5th. Less expense; the cost of transportation of a school of 10 or less pupils is accomplished at about one-half the expense of maintaining a school.

6th. If this policy could be extended to one or two more schools, an addition of from two to four weeks might be made to our present school year without extra expense therefor.

Is not the end sought worthy our attention and action?

Your Committee therefore, in view of the above, consider their policy a good one, and ask that you make the necessary appropriation for its continuance and extension.

In general we consider the condition of the schools during the past year as fully up to the average; but we freely admit that this average is not as high as we desire and hope to see it in the near future.

When our teachers fully understand and faithfully execute our directions, relative to our course of study, introduced this year, we may expect better results.

Our teachers' meetings have been for the most part a failure, on account of the weather and other circumstances, at the appointed times therefor, and thus we have been deprived of an important element of success in our work as we believe.

That the Committee should at certain times visit all the schools, note their excellencies and defects, address the pupils on such matters as seem to them wise and judicious; and immediately afterward, at a teachers' meeting, make such suggestions to the teachers as the results of their visit and the good of the schools call for; and in a familiar way confer thus with the teachers concerning the work of individual schools, both answering questions and hearing the experience of those teachers who are qualified to advise, thereby not only acquainting themselves with the work of each school-room, but bearing a part themselves in making the school a success, is, in our mind the ideal of supervision of country schools by the School Committee. Such a plan calls for time and thought, but for such time and thought a town can well afford to pay.

The indifference of parents as to their childrens progress in school as evinced by the names of visitors in the registers of various schools is a matter to which we take occasion to call the attention of every parent.

TEXT BOOKS AND REPAIRS.

A thorough examination of the condition of text books in use in the schools reveals the fact that the larger portion of them are in a poor condition and must be renewed before the beginning of another school year. In many cases exchanges will be made and thereby much expense saved.

The condition of some of the school houses and out building demands immediate attention and this also will be a source of considerable expense which must be anticipated in the next financial year.

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

This School was taught by Mr. W. A. Wheeler, one of your Committee. Although the school ended at the close of the fifteenth week, cutting short the term five weeks from what the Committee intended, it was evident that it had been one of the most successful terms ever taught here by this teacher. Mr. Wheeler has the faculty of making his teaching very practical, and the many things he employs to illustrate his teaching, assists the pupil very much in comprehending the subject he is studying.

There were thirty-one of the more advanced scholars, who availed themselves of the advantages of this school. Every school in town being represented, many coming three and four miles without being absent a single day during the term. The whole number pursuing higher branches was twenty-four.

The value of, and the manifest interest in this school of higher grade, should guarantee its continuance. We trust all who are qualified in our schools will in the future secure the extra advantages or this school.

C. R. BARTLETT,

W. C. TEMPLE,

Committee.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation,	\$1,800 00	
State Fund,	306 98	
Dog Tax,	87 91	
		<u>\$2,194 99</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers Salaries,	\$1,537 50	
Fuel and Janitors,	152 35	
Books and Supplies,	102 86	
Transportation of pupils,	128 25	
		<u>\$1,920 96</u>

CONTINGENT.

Repairs of School Houses,	\$66 12
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STATISTICS.

SUMMER TERM.

SCHOOLS.	No. of Weeks.	Whole Number of Pupils.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Wages of Teacher Per Month.	No. of Visitors,
Centre Primary,	10	36	31.6	29.6	\$36	16
No. 1,	10	15	13.6	13	24	18
No. 2, no school,						
No. 3,	10	10	9.3	81	26	10
No. 4,	10	26	25	21.4	28	7
No. 5,	10	25	23	21	28	13
No. 6,	10	13	12.6	12	24	14
No. 7,	10	22	20	18	28	4
No. 8,	10	21	14.3	13.3	26	5

WINTER TERM.

Centre Primary,	14	28	25.3	23.7	\$36	21
No. 1,	14	16	14	14	26	21
No. 2,	14	11	9	6.5	24	14
No. 3, no school,						
No. 4,	14	23	20.8	19.9	28	15
No. 5,	17	36	27	20	28	14
No. 6,	14	15	13	12.1	28	23
No. 7,	14	27	23	19.3	28	17
No. 8,	13	21	16.5	15	28	7
Hlgh School,	14 $\frac{2}{3}$	31	27.6	25.6	50	20

NAMES OF TEACHERS,

WAGES, ETC.

Centre Primary, .	Summer,	{ Marcia P. Hill,	\$ 90 00
	Winter,	{ Marcia P. Hill,	126 00
No. 1,	Summer,	{ Olive L. Moulton,	60 00
	Winter,	{ Lillie S. Fogg,	91 00
No. 2,	Summer,	{ Olive L. Moulton,	84 00
	Winter,	{ Olive L. Moulton,	84 00
No. 3,	Summer,	{ Florence M. Spooner,	65 00
	Winter,	{ Florence M. Spooner,	65 00
No. 4,	Summer,	{ Henrietta L. Senter,	70 0
	Winter,	{ Florence M. Spooner,	98 00
No. 5,	Summer,	{ Ida M Buckley,	70 00
	Winter,	{ Sarah E. Bryant,	119 00
No. 6,	Summer,	{ Sarah H. Bray,	60 00
	Winter,	{ Sarah H. Bray,	98 00
No. 7,	Summer,	{ Fannie C. Farnsworth, . . .	70 00
	Winter,	{ Edith M. Marsh,	98 00
No. 8,	Summer,	{ Alice L. Rice,	65 00
	Winter,	{ Susan M. Hill,	91 00
High School,		Walter A. Wheeler,	182 50
			\$1,537 50

ROLL OF HONOR.

*Willie M. Demond
 *B. Wesley Putnam
 Albert A. Putnam
 Jessie I. Taylor
 Bertie D. Bartlett
 Leroy S. Putnam
 Adolf G. Stenberg
 *Mary Scott
 *Bertha A. Taylor
 Nellie I. Pierce
 Joseph Scott
 Matthew Sherwood
 Joseph O'Conner
 Mabel E. Bemis
 Etta L. Putnam
 Lizzie M. Putnam
 *Maida Partridge
 Elliot Partridge
 *Harry Wilson
 *Flora Partridge
 Edna Handy
 Hattie S. Bigelow
 Mina L. Partridge
 Lillie P. Wilson
 George Bigelow
 Moses B. Fogg
 Elliot O. Wilson
 Willie W. Wilson
 Herbert Heald

*Flora Sanderson
 Nellie Griffin
 Arthur Heald
 Belle Baker
 Nellie Nihin
 Roland Potter
 Louise Dodge
 Clarence C. Dodge
 Arthur Sanderson
 Caltha Charter
 *Bertha Stearns
 Vora Stearns
 Elsie Davis
 Josephine Bryant
 *Oscar B. Bray
 Dora I. Dudley
 *Cora O. Dudley
 Ina P. Ruiter
 Josephine E. O'Leary
 *Dennis O'Herron
 Joseph Bigelow
 Fannie Graton
 Edith Graton
 Addie Kennen
 Minnie Kennen
 *Grace Ware
 Mary Hughes
 John Mc'Grath

Whole number of names, 57

For entire year, 13

* The star indicates perfect attendance for entire year.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. WHEELER,	} <i>School Committee</i>
CHARLES R. BARTLETT,	
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	

of Rutland.



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
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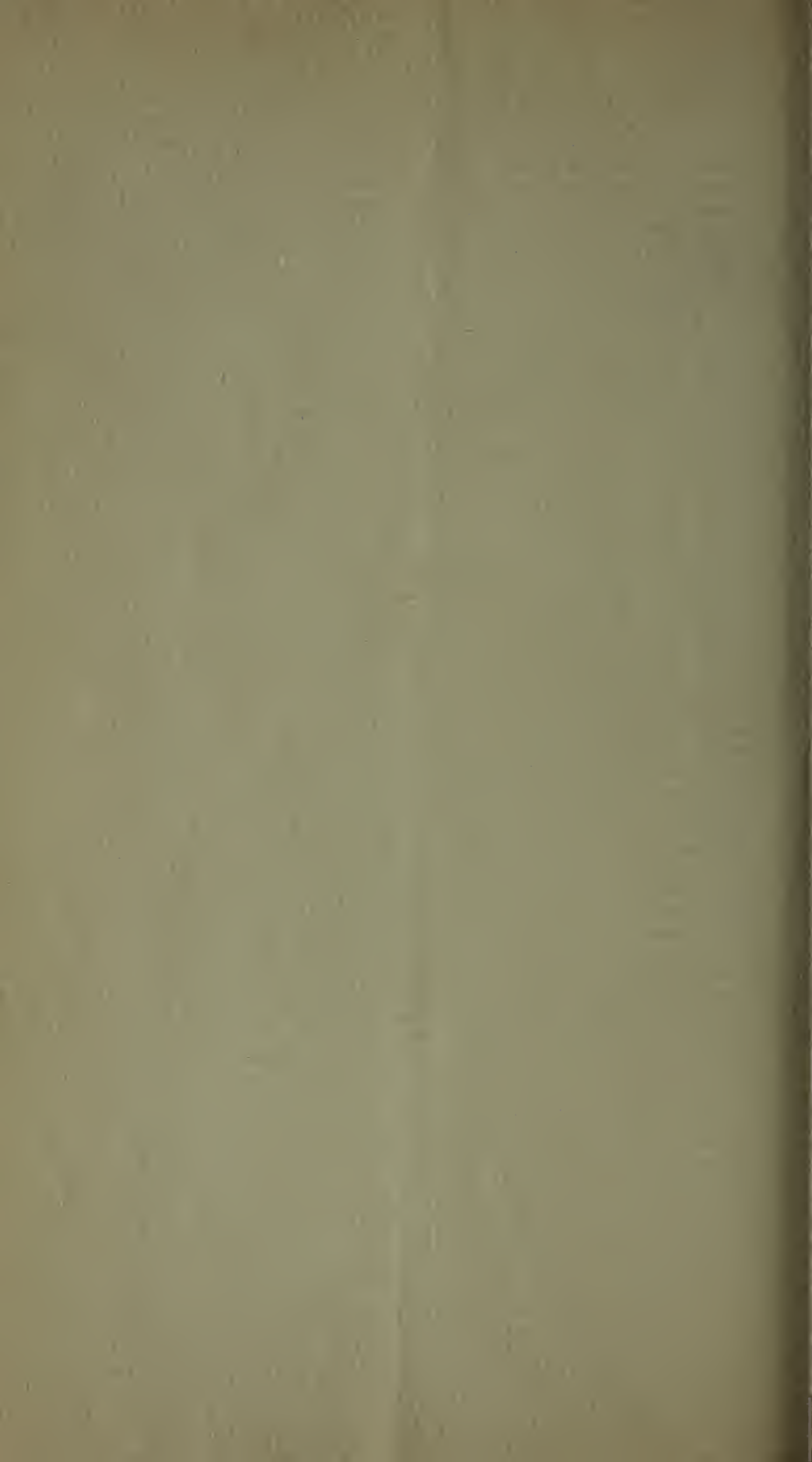
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REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, FOR THE YEAR 1891.

FELLOW CITIZENS :

Departing from the usual custom of late years, your Committee present thus early and in a separate pamphlet, their annual report.

We do this in order to call your careful attention to the results of another year's work in our schools, and that you may be the better prepared to act understandingly and to plan the more wisely for the coming year.

REPAIRS.

EXTENSIVE REPAIRS had long been necessary upon the South school-house. The cramped condition of the room gave no opportunity for proper class exercises, and one small entry way served as a cloak room for all the pupils. Added to this, the condition of the clapboarding and roof rendered the building positively dangerous to the health of those daily assembled there. Accordingly, an addition of eight feet, giving two cloak rooms, a wood room and a covered passage way between the doors was made; new sills were put in and the underpinning laid in cement; the roof was shingled, a new chimney built, and the room newly plastered, painted and papered. As regards room, light, black-board room, and general comfort and convenience, this house will now compare favorably with any other in town.

The houses in North Rutland and New Boston have also received attention, the plastering being renewed, some new sheathing put in, and both were newly papered, rendering them bright and attractive. Your Committee fully believe in the beneficial influence of neat and attractive school-rooms, and only from motives of economy has anything been omitted in this direction.

NUMBER OF SCHOOLS.

During the summer term No. 2 was united with No. 4, No. 6 with No. 7, No. 8 with No. 1, and No. 9 with the Centre, making by this plan six schools besides the Grammar school at the centre.

For the fall and winter terms No. 1 was united with No. 8, and a school was maintained in No. 6 because of lack of room at West Rutland. These consolidations have been accompanied with as little friction as could be expected; the plan proposed by the Committee being generally acquiesced in by the parties interested. What your Committee have done in this direction has been entirely with a view to the highest good of all concerned, and especially to the advantage of the schools thus brought together.

CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS.

Under the above system, pupils were carried from No. 2 to No. 4, No. 6 to No. 7, No. 8 to No. 1, and from No. 9 to the Centre. Transportation was also furnished to such pupils of the Grammar school as would otherwise have been unable to attend on account of distance.

Two dollars per week was paid to the North Rutland pupils, and transportation by rail was furnished those who came from West Rutland. The total cost of conveying such scholars was about \$40. We believe this expenditure to be only a measure of justice to those so aided, and we regret that it could not have been continued through the year.

LENGTH OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

For the first time in the history of our town the public schools have been in session twenty-eight weeks—seven months, instead of six as formerly. This is a great gain; an important step in the right direction; but we ought at least to increase it to thirty weeks.

STATE OF THE SCHOOLS.

The condition of our schools was never, in the opinion of your Committee, more satisfactory than at the present time. The pupils' interest has steadily increased, the daily attendance improved; the methods of teaching are in accord with more modern standards; the supervision more intelligent and helpful to the teachers, and the results as shown by the daily work and examinations are creditable alike to teachers and pupils, and satisfactory to all concerned.

Hardly too much credit can be given to the superior corps of teachers whose enthusiasm and patience have contributed so largely to the success attained.

TEACHERS' MEETINGS.

Six teachers' meetings have been held during the year and have, in most instances been attended by all the teachers. Here, topics of great interest have been discussed, embracing methods of teaching, primary work, discipline and moral training. Here, also, questions of government and difficulties, real or imaginary, are talked over, the long and varied experience of some, supplementing the inexperience of others, to the great advantage of the latter. As long as we must have young teachers without previous training, the necessity for such meetings is imperative.

As a help to such inexperienced teachers, without normal training, we fully approve the plan adopted in many places of requiring an apprenticeship served with some good teachers in the same grade of school as that desired by the candidate; but they should serve only with those teachers whose methods and work are fully approved by the Committee.

MUSIC.

We deem it fully time that the rudiments of vocal music were taught as a regular branch of study in the schools. Ten minutes or even less a day given to this branch would show results that would surprise many and in a few years there would be but few children educated in this town unacquainted with this refining and delightful art.

DRAWING.

More attention should also be given to drawing, especially in the younger classes. Both the mental and manual training it gives is of much practical value. Some very satisfactory work has been done in this direction in some of our schools.

NATURE STUDY.

Under the head of observation lessons in the course of study, nature study has received more attention this year than ever before. This study is deservedly popular and of great benefit to all the pupils. When children see the various forms of plant and animal life and learn to classify them and study their habits, they are at once being educated and delivered from many of the temptations that beset the minds of children and youth. In some instances collections of various kinds of wood and leaves have been started, and we commend the practice to all the schools.

VISITORS.

Mr. George A. Walton and Mr. A. W. Edson, agents of the Mass. Board of Education, have held an afternoon teachers' meeting and addressed a public meeting in the evening; which latter, we regret to say, was thinly attended, because of a severe storm. Such visits are helpful in every way.

SUPERVISION.

Your Committee have tried to do their duty by the schools, not only complying with the letter of the law, but with its spirit as well. We have felt that while we could have done more, and we believe

with advantage to the schools, yet that if we should do all the work that a paid superintendent is expected to do, the expense entailed would hardly be justifiable in your eyes. There is no question but that a district superintendent giving his whole time and attention to this subject, can at less relative expense to the town, do more efficient work than the present School Committee.

The question of joining a district and enjoying the benefits of district supervision ought to be carefully considered by the town.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The establishment of a graded school for our older pupils, is not, as many suppose, dependent on the vote of the town, and such a school, is, in the mind of your Committee, an imperative necessity. Fully one-fifth of all the scholars in town are members of this school, and every part of the town being represented is benefitted thereby. Our duty toward these older pupils is plainly to furnish them opportunities for an education the best the town can afford. While it is impossible to retain for more than a term or two suitable teachers for this school, on account of insufficient salary, yet if the work is carefully planned by the Committee, and they are familiar with the standing of the various classes, this evil—and it is an evil—can be partly overcome.

The expense of sending, even a few pupils, to other places to obtain no better tuition than can be given here, would equal the cost of this school and still leave the large proportion of our pupils, needing such instruction wholly unprovided for. We think the success of the past year demands its continuance.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

In estimating the expenses for the coming year, quite an amount must be allowed for supplies other than the necessary text books. While good tools do not always make good workmen, yet certain it is that without good implements the best work cannot be done. Our school-rooms need tables, blocks, more black-board room, maps,

charts, and books for sight reading. One hundred and twenty dollars is a fair estimate of such necessary expense. Your Committee have been so desirous of lengthening the school year, while keeping within the appropriations for schools, that little has been done in this direction the past year.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Section 1 of chapter 111, of the Acts and Resolves of 1890, reads as follows :

“In all the public schools of this Commonwealth, the last session prior to Memorial Day, or a portion thereof, shall be devoted to exercises of a patriotic nature.”

Accordingly in each of the schools a programme suitable to the occasion was made out, including recitations, declamations, class exercises and singing, the latter being uniform in all the schools. From these programmes the teachers, together with the Committee, selected two or three parts from each school for a public exhibition, forming one of the leading features in the public observance of this Holy day among our holidays. No extended report of these exercises can here be given, but in justice to all it must be noted that the teachers were in hearty sympathy with the exercises, the pupils enthusiastic, the public gathering large, embracing nearly all the pupils of the schools, and the result most gratifying to all.

No Grand Army Veteran and no lover of his country could witness this display of our school children and listen to the exalted sentiments which they expressed in declamation and song, without a rekindling of patriotic ardor and higher hopes for the future of his country. The law was wise and it was beautifully interpreted by the schools of Rutland.

TRUANCY.

The truant officer has been called upon several times to compel the attendance of pupils whose own inclinations or the negligence of their parents caused their inexcusable absence from school. This

is an exceedingly unpleasant part of your Committee's work, and they regret the necessity for it; but so long as it is one of their *duties* they will not shrink from it.

The establishment of a county truant school at Oakdale, settles the question of place for our wilful truants, and ought to largely prevent the evil.

We cannot drop this subject without reminding parents of the evil of keeping their children out of school only a few days each term to help at home. From this cause an injury is often done to the child and also to the school not easily atoned for.

DUTIES OF CITIZENS.

We wish to call the attention of all parents and of the citizens in general to their duty toward the public school teachers. Perhaps the work of no other profession is capable of so much help or hinderance from public and private remark. If public sentiment be in support of good discipline and thorough work, the teacher's task is comparatively easy; but if it ever favors the disobedient and lazy pupil, the teacher's work is hard indeed and is often rendered worthless thereby.

Again we urge all good citizens to sustain the advanced steps of the past year, to insist upon no reduction in the length of the school year, and no lessening of the means to accomplish all we can for the education of our children and youth. We ask you that wherever else you must economize, you curtail not the power to make good citizens and moral and intelligent men and women.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Balance of Dog Fund of 1890, not drawn,	\$16 30
Appropriations of 1891.	
Dog Fund,	100 00
Conveyance of pupils,	775 00
Salaries and supplies,	1,100 00
State School Fund	342 64
Total,	<u>\$2,333 94</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Wages of teachers,	\$1,592 26
Conveyance of pupils,	449 05
Books and supplies,	144 28
Fuel,	65 20
Janitors,	52 50
Total,	<u>\$2,303 29</u>
Balance unexpended,	\$30 65

CONTINGENT.

Repairs of School-houses,	\$470 21
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ROLL OF HONOR.

Honorable mention is herewith made of such pupils as have been neither absent nor tardy during one or more terms of school. Included in this list are also the names of those pupils whose deportment has been of such excellence as to deserve mention. We regret to say that the list of the latter is not perfect, and many names worthy of being classified here are therefore omitted.

Bertha Taylor,
Jessie Taylor,
Mamie O'Connor,
Cyrus Bryant,
Joseph O'Connor,
Lottie Wellington,
Josie Bryant,
Nellie Pierce,
Wesley Putnam,
Clarence Prescott,
Robert Hunter,
George Loughman,
Emma Goldthwait,
Willie Demond,
Grace Ware,
George Bigelow,
Elliott Partridge,
Mina Partridge,
Flora Partridge,

Herbert Heald,
Nellie Griffin,
Mary Scott,
Edith Smith,
Lawrence Smith,
Chester Wheeler,
Clifford Wheeler,
George Smith,
Fayette King,
Henry King,
Lola Brown,
Valentine Potter,
Frank Bullard,
Howard Davis,
Frank Denny,
Bertha Stearns,
Julia Cullen,
Clifford Davis,
Elsie Davis,

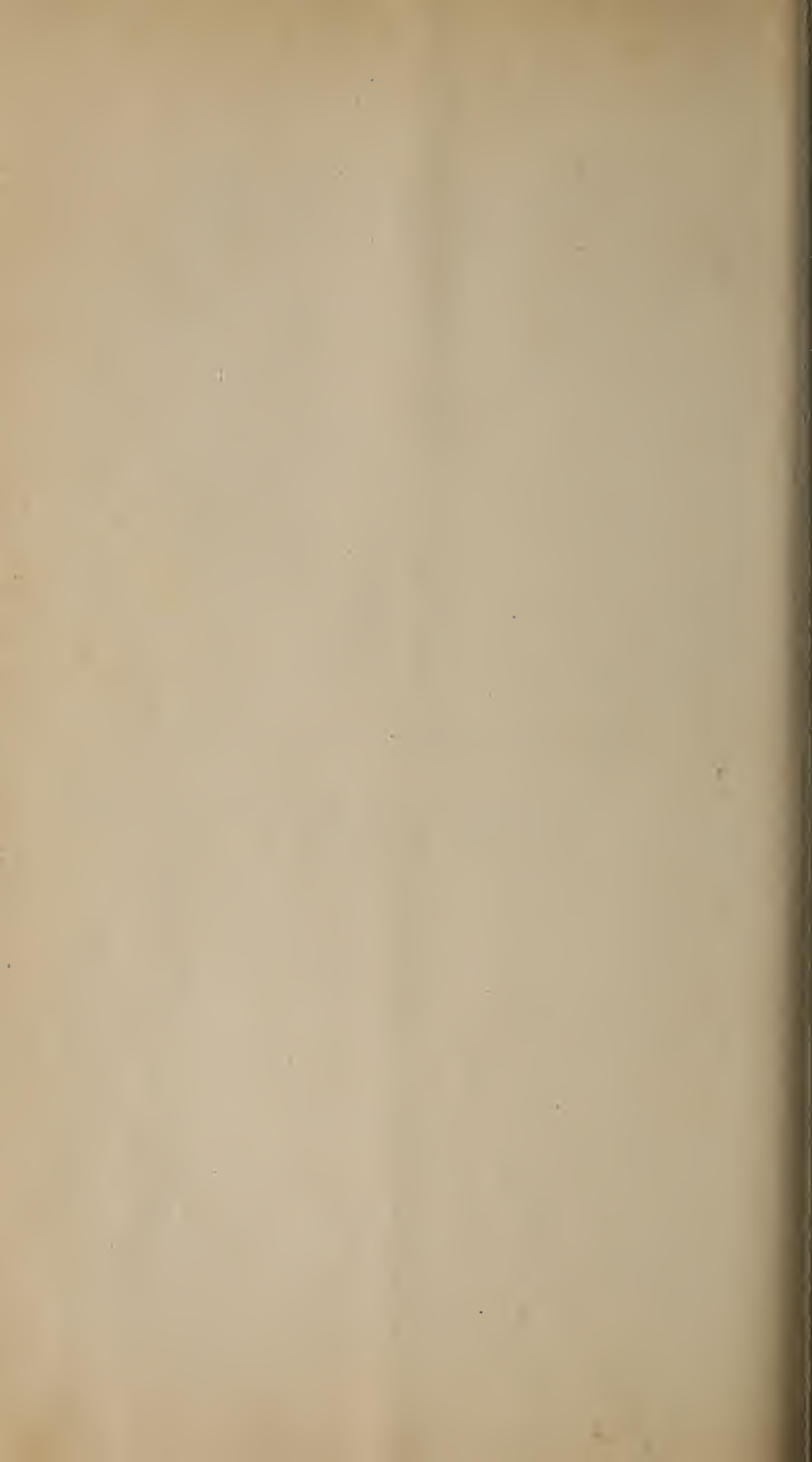
Ellis Wilson,
 Nellie Wilson,
 Clarence Cummings,
 Robert Cummings,
 Louise Dodge,
 Flora Sanderson,
 Norman Pultz,
 Otto Pultz,
 Belle Baker,
 Harry Bartlett,
 Arthur Sanderson,
 George Bemis,

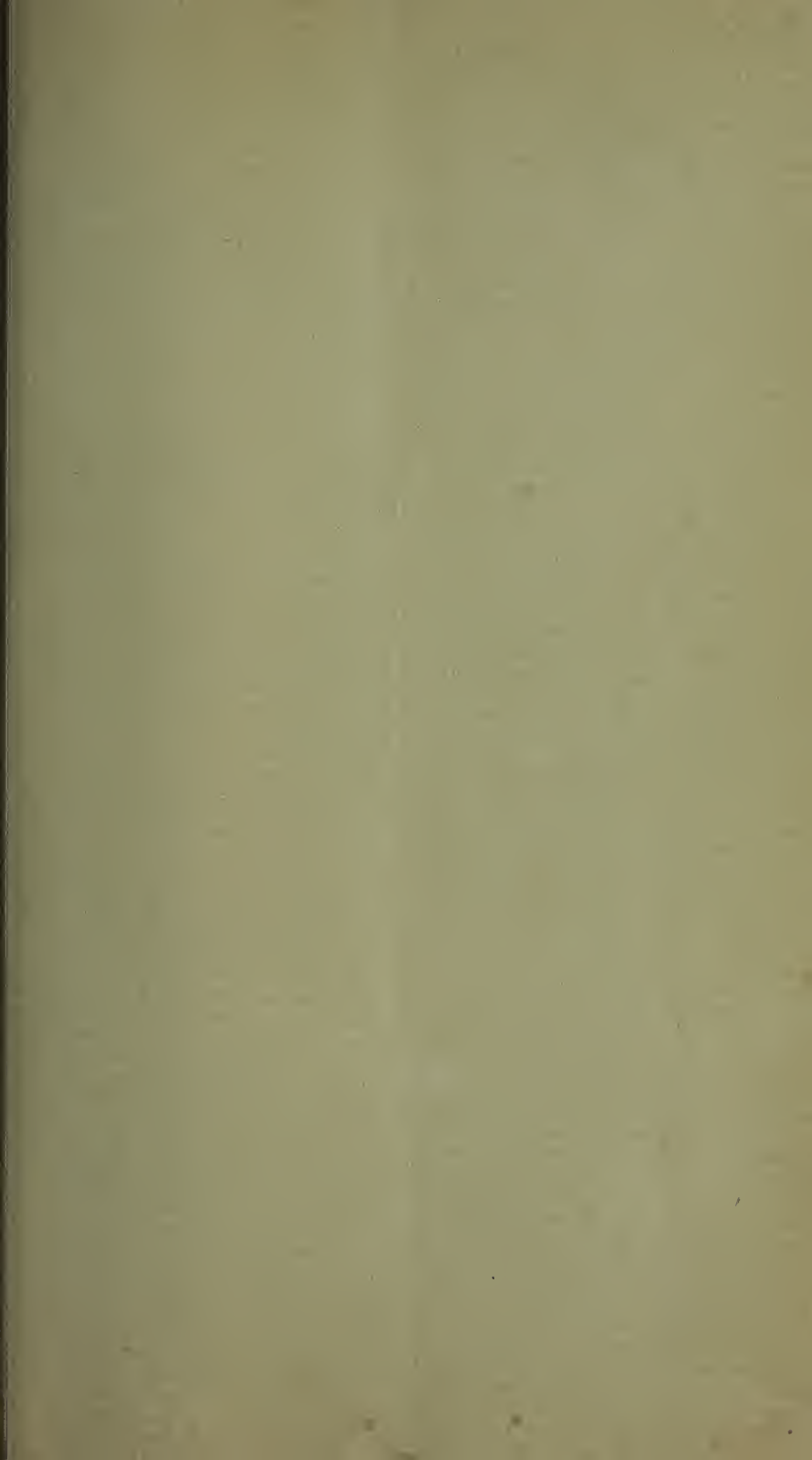
May Johnson,
 Alice Sargent,
 Clara Connor,
 Gertrude Jewell,
 Lottie Jewell,
 George Ruiter,
 Fred Hunt,
 Edward Hunt,
 Amos Strong,
 Edith Graton,
 Clayton Wetmore,
 Edna Brooks.

Number of minors in town May 1, 1891, between 5 and 15 years
 of age 150. Between 8 and 14 years of age 99.

Respectfully submitted, -

WALTER A. WHEELER,	}	School Committee of Rutland.
WALTER A. HUNTER,		
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,		









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CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

TOWN CLERK,
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SELECTMEN,
M. R. MOULTON, F. G. BARTLETT, T. SIBLEY HEALD.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.
DAVID F. SMITH, HENRY A. KENNEN, F. R. FOSTER.

ASSESSORS,
GEORGE S. PUTNAM, C. W. DODGE, ALBERT. S PRATT.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
WALTER A. WHEELER, WM. C. TEMPLE, WALTER A. HUNTER.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR,
C. W. DODGE. ROAD COMMISSIONER,
HENRY A. KENNEN.

CONSTABLES,
C. W. DODGE, FREEMAN R. FOSTER,
JOSEPH M. MOULTON, CHARLES I. KING,
WALTER A. HUNTER.

SEXTON, LIBRARIAN,
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W. A. WHEELER, MRS. G. B. MUNROE, MRS. L. Q. SPAULDING.

MEASURERS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER,
J. W. BIGELOW, J. W. O'HERRON,
GEO. A. PUTNAM, J. W. MOULTON,
ADDISON CHILDS.

FENCE VIEWERS,
GEO. A. PUTNAM, DANIEL DEMOND, A. B. FISHER.

FIELD DRIVERS,
FRANK H. REED, D. O'HERRON, J. E. LEARY.

POUND KEEPER, AUDITOR,
GEORGE W. HUDSON. L. Q. SPAULDING.

WARRANT

FOR

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 7TH, 1892.

WORCESTER, SS. TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN
OF RUTLAND :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Rutland, on Monday, the seventh day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following Articles, to wit :

1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To see if the Town will accept the Reports of the Town Officers for the past year, or act thereon.
4. To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.
5. To determine the compensation of Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.
6. To see what sums of money the Town will raise for the support of the Public Schools; for repairs on the Highways; for the support of the Poor; for lighting Street Lamps; for use Memorial Day; for Contingent Expenses and Paying Debts; and appropriate the same.
7. To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors, as presented by the Selectmen.
8. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town, under the direction of the Selectmen.

9. To see if the Town will instruct their Assessors to abate any taxes in the hands of their Collector.

10. To see what interest shall be paid on taxes not paid in a specified time.

11. To vote by ballot, Yes or No, to the question, Shall License be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town.

12. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote whereby they voted to place the Meade Fund into the hands of a Trustee, for the purpose of using it for a New Town Hall Building, or, do or act anything thereon.

13. To see what method the Town will adopt for digging and filling Graves and attending Funerals with the Hearse, the ensuing year.

14. To see if the Town will make any disposal of the Meade Fund, or act thereon.

15. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee to provide transportation for children of school age to and from school-houses remote from their homes, and make appropriation to carry the same into effect, or act thereon.

16. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888, relating to the employment of a superintendent of schools, and appropriate money therefor.

17. To determine the manner of warning future meetings.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to the vote of said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this sixteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two.

M. R. MOULTON,	} Selectmen of Rutland.
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Schedule of Property, as Appraised by the Overseers,

FEBRUARY 12, 1892.

Real Estate,	\$2,640 00
Farming tools and household furniture,	700 00
Democrat wagon,	75 00
Two-horse wagon and other tools,	150 00
2 horses,	225 00
12 Cows,	420 00
1 yearling,	20 00
2 shoats,	20 00
30 tons of English hay,	450 00
2 tons meadow hay,	10 00
40 fowls,	28 00
Cider and vinegar,	24 00
Grain,	4 00
Beans,	10 00
35 bushels of potatoes,	94 50
Garden vegetables,	11 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ barrels salt pork,	30 00
100 lbs. hams	13 00
50 lbs. salt beef,	6 00
Lard and butter,	7 00
Tallow and candles,	5 00
Pickles and sauce,	10 00
Soap,	2 75
Flour and crackers,	7 25
Spices,	1 00
Sugar,	7 50
Wire,	7 00
Lime and coal,	9 00
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	\$4,987 00

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES AT ALMSHOUSE.

Interest on real and personal estate, appraised	
February 13, 1891, at 6% on \$4,279.51,	\$256 77
Salary of warden for the year ending April 1, 1892,	400 00
Bought Flour and grain,	244 04
Groceries,	185 74
Meat and fish,	55 38
Cloth, yarn and thread,	15 94
Tobacco,	12 00
Tin and iron ware,	4 05
Blacksmithing,	14 90
Farming tools and repairs,	55 46
Grass and other seeds,	64 67
Labor,	172 00
Stock and use of same,	194 25
Wagon,	75 00
Doctor bill at almshouse	37 50
Phosphate,	36 00
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	\$1,733 70
Income of farm,	982 05
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Net expenses at farm,	\$751 65

SUMMARY OF INCOME AT ALMSHOUSE.

Sold cream and calves,	\$557 12
Eggs and poultry,	25 53
Vegetables,	84 15
Cows,	48 25
Labor with team,	12 00
Increase in appraisal of property,	255 00
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	\$982 05

The following persons have been supported at the almshouse the past year, ending February 13, 1892 :

Lucy Sawyer,	age 80	weeks, 52
Asa Lakin,	91	52
Moses Clark,	81	52
Mrs. William O. Smith,	64	52
John Kelley,		18
Tramps, 57,		8

Whole number of weeks board,	234
Cost per week, \$3.21	

TOWN ORDERS.

March	James Monroe, for repairing water pipe,	\$3 00
April,	N. W. Ruiter, balance of salary,	138 33
	Joseph Davis, for Mrs. Wilson,	6 00
	City of New Bedford, Fred Gange,	8 50
	Joseph Devoa, sor team to town farm,	1 00
May	F. A. Nichols, for goods,	56 02
June	Dr. Chamberlin, for A. Lakin,	37 50
	State, for Wm. O. Smith,	36 00
	E. C. Dudley, for phosphate,	36 00
	A. Hatstat, goods for Rufus Sawyer,	6 00
July	John P. Day, for 3 cows,	90 00
	State, for Wm. O. Smith,	36 80
Aug.,	Eli H. Lord, for wagon,	75 00
Sept.,	Mrs. Sarah P. Spooner, for grass,	50 00
Oct.,	Mrs. Alice Chickering,	10 00
Nov.,	State, for Wm. O. Smith,	36 40
	F. A. Nichols, for goods,	98 94
	N. W. Ruiter, for salary,	75 00
Jan.,	W. R. Cummings, for Mrs. Chickering's child,	5 60
Feb.,	State, for Wm. O. Smith,	36 80
	Dr. Chamberlin, for Eliza Clark,	25 00
	Dr. Chamberlin, for Mrs. Mundell,	5 00
Feb.,	F. A. Nichols, for goods,	45 59
	F. A. Nichols, goods for Mrs. James Strong,	4 00
	F. A. Nichols, goods for Mrs. Mundel,	3 00
	D. F. Smith, for repairing,	8 25
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EXPENSE OF SUPPORTING PAUPERS OUT OF
ALMSHOUSE.

Paid,	Commonwealth, for Wm. O. Smith,	\$146 00
April,	Joseph Davis, for Mrs. Wilson,	6 00
	City of New Bedford, for Gange,	8 50
	Joseph Devoa. team to town farm,	1 00
June,	A. Hatstat, goods for Rufus Sawyer,	6 00
Oct.,	Mrs. Alice Chickering,	10 00
Jan.,	W. R. Cummings, for Mrs. Chickering's child,	5 00
Feb,	Dr. Chamberlin, for Mrs. Eliza Clark,	25 00
	Dr. Chamberlin, for Mundel,	5 00
	F. A. Nichols, for James Strong,	4 00
	F. A. Nichols, for Mrs. Mundel,	3 00
		<hr/> \$219 50

Amount bsought forward,	\$219 50
Expenses at Almshouse,	751 65
Overseers' services,	51 50
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	\$1,022 65

As expenses of supporting town and other paupers for the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

D. F. SMITH,	} Overseers
H. A. KENNEN,	
F. R. FOSTER,	
	of the
	Poor.

February 13, 1892.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

OF THE

Financial Condition of the Town for the year ending Feb. 15, 1892.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer, during the past year, 293 orders, amounting to the sum of \$8,131 41.

The appropriations of the Town were as follows:

State Tax,	\$360 00
County Tax,	414 00
Town Grant,	7,750 00
Overlays,	70 54
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	\$8,594 54

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Revere National Bank, Boston,	\$14,000 00
Peoples Savings Bank, Worcester,	4,000 00
Five Cent Savings Bank, Worcester,	500 00
George A. Putnam, note,	550 00
J. Warren Bigelow, note,	1,150 00
Schuyler Prouty. note,	300 00
Rural Cemetery, note,	100 00
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	\$20,600 00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due for State aid,	\$300 00
Town Hall janitor,	9 00
Henry Converse, trustee,	1,300 00
L. M. Hanff,	33 94
F. R. Foster,	600 00
C. W. Dodge,	5,804 84
Town Farm, stock and tools,	4,987 00
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	\$13,034 78
Balance against the Town,	<hr/>
	\$7,565 22

Showing a gain in the last year of \$1,542 92

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid George A. Putnam,	\$42 30
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SELECTMEN.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	\$35 50
F. G. Bartlett,	34 00
T. S. Heald,	34 00
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	\$103 50

ASSESSORS.

Paid George S. Putnam,	\$32 50
Albert B. Pratt,	30 00
Chester W. Dodge,	30 00
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	\$92 50

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid David F. Smith,	\$26 50
Henry A. Kennen,	15 00
Freeman R. Foster,	10 00
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	\$51 50

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Walter A. Wheeler,	\$51 50
Walter A. Hunter,	41 75
Wm. C. Temple,	35 50
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	\$128 75

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid Chester W. Dodge,	\$150 00
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CONSTABLES.

Paid Freeman R. Foster,	\$2 50
Joseph M. Moulton,	2 75
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	\$5 25

SEXTONS.

Paid George S. Putnam,	\$20 25
Roland C. Prescott,	12 00
Ebenezer Wellington,	10 50
Joseph Davis,	25
Charles Foster,	1 50
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	\$44 50

LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. Freeman R. Foster,	\$52 00
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TRUANT OFFICERS.

Paid George S. Putnam,	\$5 00
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid George A. Putnam,	\$
M. R. Moulton,	6 00
F. G. Bartlett,	6 00
T. S. Heald,	6 00
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	\$18 00

AUDITOR.

Paid Lorenzo Q. Spaulding,	\$19 00
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ORDERS PAID.

1891.

Date.	No of Order.		
March 7,	1	Edward Mellen, snow bill,	\$12 04
	2	Arthur A. Heald, schools,	27 00
	3	D. M. Conner, snow,	9 67
	4	Henry Moore, snow,	6 17
	5	George E. Bigelow, snow,	6 59
	6	Andrew S. Charter, snow,	4 16
	7	J. W. Steinburg, snow,	6 80
	8	Henry C. Bliss, snow,	8 33
	9	Amos Strong, safe,	2 50
	10	John J. Welsh, snow,	21 91
	11	Giles F. Putney, snow,	2 17
	12	Wm. D. Hatch, snow,	1 83
	13	Hiram B. Oliver, snow,	2 13

March 7,	14	Charles R. Bartlett, snow,	\$ 5 83
	15	American Book Co., school,	36 93
	16	Daniel McCarthy, snow,	2 50
	17	Henry A. Kennen, snow,	8 00
	18	Ebenezer Wellington, snow and sexton,	9 33
	19	M. R. Moulton, safe,	7 50
	20	Daniel R. Wheeler, snow,	11 19
	21	Walter A. Wheeler, schools,	4 00
	22	Bertie D. Bartlett, school,	5 00
	23	Henry Converse, school, highway, assessors,	3 78
	24	Freeman R. Foster, state aid and constable,	37 50
	25	Herman N. Bemis, snow,	83
	26	Levi H. Stearns, school,	2 50
	27	T. Sibley Heald, snow,	4 66
	28	L. B. Warner, snow,	10 08
	29	Levi H. Stearns, snow,	10 82
	30	Ivory Wales, snow,	38 74
April 4,	31	Walter H. Bartlett snow,	20 91
	32	Walter A. Hunter, school,	22 00
	33	Hiram B. Oliver, snow,	1 12
	34	Frank H. Reed, snow,	6 00
	35	Schuyler Prouty, snow and insurance,	8 50
	36	C. W. Dodge, school,	5 00
	37	A Steinburg, snow,	4 30
	38	Henery A. Kennen, snow and highway,	15 89
	39	H. Jones Davis, school,	5 00
	40	C. W. Dodge, state aid,	35 00
	41	Dennis O'Leary, snow,	11 75
	42	H. Jones Davis, school,	1 25
	43	James Hunter, snow,	2 00
	44	E. C. Morris & Co., safe,	14 00
	45	Walter A. Hunter, snow,	6 80
	46	James M. Taylor, snow,	30 00
	47	Daniel Leary, snow,	46 50
	48	George P. Calhoon, snow,	18 35
	49	A. E. Brown, snow,	5 08
	50	James Hammond, snow,	12 34
	51	James L. Monroe, Overseers,	3 00
	52	Edward Mellen, snow,	10 50
	53	Albert B. Pratt, snow,	19 78
	54	David P. Avery, snow,	83
	55	E. Whitney, schools,	2 15
	56	Frank G. Bartlett, snow,	5 17
	57	Charles Baker & Co., schools,	78 07
	58	Wilson & Holden, schools,	7 32
	59	White & Conant, schools,	14 57
	60	William J. Hunt, schools,	33 75

April 4,	61	George W. Hudson, schools,	\$21 00
	62	C. A. Spooner, schools,	25 00
	63	Lyman A. Baker, schools,	22 00
	64	James Hammond, snow,	12 00
	65	Edward Whitney, schools,	7 80
	66	John J. Welsh, snow,	14 95
	67	Henry C. Bliss, snow,	8 50
May 2,	68	Joseph Demar, snow and highway,	16 72
	69	F. S. Howe, highway, old bill,	17 25
	70	Michael Leary, snow,	30 50
	71	N. W. Ruiter, Overseers,	138 33
	72	Wm. H. Jefferson, schools,	31 34
	73	J. A. Connell, schools,	42 00
	74	M. P. Hill, schools,	34 00
	75	C. W. Dodge, state aid,	35 00
	76	Elbridge Acker, snow,	1 17
	77	Merrill Chickering, snow,	7 34
	78	Sylvester Prescott, snow,	17 48
	79	George W. Hudson, schools,	11 85
	80	Newton I. Sargent, snow,	7 17
	81	Walter H. Prescott, snow,	10 66
	82	James Conlin, snow,	4 08
	83	James Hackett, snow,	3 00
	84	John N. Sargent, snow,	15 25
	85	Edwin S. Prescott, snow,	7 17
	86	Myron D. Potter, snow and highway,	16 25
	87	Henry Converse, schools,	8 78
	88	Levi H. Stearns, schools,	7 00
	89	Levi H. Stearns, snow,	3 50
	90	F. A. Nichols, Overseers,	56 02
	91	L. T. Hadley, snow,	2 50
	92	Ivory Wales, snow,	6 83
	93	Michael Cullen, snow,	2 08
	94	Simeon D. Taylor, snow,	1 00
	95	C. A. Spooner, snow,	1 83
	96	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	6 73
	97	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	173 00
	98	D. M. Parker, schools,	13 24
	99	School Committee, supplies,	26 21
	100	R. C. Prescott, snow and school,	2 92
	101	W. A. Hunter, snow,	2 50
	102	T. Sibley Heald, highway,	1 05
	103	M. R. Moulton, expenses and snow,	11 83
	104	C. A. Spooner, schools,	2 09
	105	H. J. Davis, schools,	1 95
	106	A. Trask & Co., schools,	3 50
	107	Lewis Baker, schools,	75

May 2,	108	L. A. Baker, schools,	\$13 00
	109	William J. Hunt, schools,	16 75
	110	H. J. Davis, snow,	3 65
June 6,	111	W. E. Chamberlin, Overseers,	37 50
	112	Walter A. Hunter, schools,	13 00
	113	Sarah H. Bray, school,	28 00
	114	Richard Cody, snow,	3 83
	145	M. E. West, school,	14 30
	116	C. W. Dodge, memorial,	25 00
	117	C. W. Dodge, state aid,	35 00
	118	Charles Parker, Board of Health,	10 00
	119	William D. Hatch, snow,	1 50
	120	E. H. Tripp, printing,	40 00
	121	Zebulon Strong, snow,	19 19
	122	William H. Hammond, snow,	3 58
	123	George G. Pierce, snow,	1 83
	124	George P. Woodis, snow,	7 83
	125	Ivory Wales, schools,	13 56
	126	Arthur L. Miles, snow,	12 91
	127	B. & M. R. R. Co., freight,	1 38
	128	Charles Hamilton, printing,	1 00
	129	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	482 58
	130	Jos. Davis, sexton, schools, snow, overseers,	27 54
	131	George W. Cowden, snow,	8 37
	132	Edward Mellen, snow,	7 58
	133	James Hammond, snow,	7 50
	134	E. G. Higgins, schools,	5 50
	135	Barnard, Sumner & Co., schools,	2 00
June 27,	136	M. E. Farnsworth, schools,	52 00
	137	Sarah H. Bray, school,	28 00
	138	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Overseers,	36 00
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	140	E. G. Higgins, schools,	5 50
	141	J. A. Cornell, schools,	65 41
	142	F. L. & T. L. Campbell, snow,	11 40
	143	George S. Putnam, sexton,	20 25
	144	Alfred Hatstat, snow and Overseers,	22 39
	145	M. E. West, school,	73 00
	146	Era C. Dudley, snow and Overseers,	63 00
	147	Helen A. Moulton, school,	75 00
	148	M. P. Hill, school,	69 00
	149	Joseph Bigelow, school,	2 30
	150	M. E. Farnsworth, school,	28 25
	151	Arthur Heald, school,	40 00
	152	C. W. Dodge, state aid.	31 00
	153	Daniel McCarthy, highway and snow,	4 05
	154	May Kennen, school,	4 00

June 27,	155	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	\$347 85
	156	Henry A. Kennen, highway tools,	4 50
	157	Amos Strong, highway tools,	7 61
	158	C. W. Dodge, Assessors,	1 60
	159	T. Sibley Heald, Selectman,	6 00
	160	G. F. Goldthwait, schools,	40 00
August 1,	161	Josephine O'Leary, schools,	3 80
	162	George S. Putnam, schools,	13 10
	163	George H. Miles, schools,	15 00
	164	Henry Moore, snow,	3 33
	165	Sarah W. Dodge, school,	78 00
	166	B. Wesley Putnam, schools,	3 25
	167	Dennis O'Leary, schools,	42 00
	168	Clark Wellington, schools,	48 00
	169	John P. Day, Overseers,	90 00
	170	Schuyler Prouty, insurance,	3 20
	171	Leroy S. Putnam, schools,	2 50
	172	George S. Putnam, Assessor,	30 00
	173	C. W. Dodge, Assesors,	30 00
	174	C. W. Dodge, state aid,	39 00
	175	William J. Hunt, schools,	32 00
	176	Sylvester Prescott, schools,	10 00
Sept 5,	177	H. A. Kennen, highway,	178 69
	177 $\frac{1}{2}$	Amos Strong, schools,	12 00
	178	John W. Munroe, snow,	9 08
	179	Arthur L. Miles, snow,	3 00
	180	Sarah H. Bray, school,	31 00
	181	D. M. Parker. schools,	7 26
	182	E. H. Lord, Overseers,	75 00
	183	Mrs. F. R. Foster, Librarian,	26 00
	184	State Treasurer, Overseers,	36 40
	185	Wm. Allen & Son, highway,	40 80
	186	Sarah D. Spooner, Overseers,	50 00
	187	Henry A. Kennen, highway and bridges,	253 75
October 3,	188	F. A. Nichols, highway,	3 00
	189	C. W. Dodge, state aid,	37 00
	190	E. H. Tripp, printing,	25 00
	191	E. B. Wellington, schools,	10 00
	192	Grace E Ware, schools,	4 90
	193	Clark Wellington, schools,	14 40
	194	George S. Putnam, schools,	28 71
	195	C. W. Dodge, state aid,	37 00
	196	E. B. Wellington, snow and sexton,	14 33
	197	H. A. Kennen, highway and railings,	118 40
Nov. 7,	198	Walter A. Wheeler, School Committee,	44 05
	199	Walter A. Wheeler,	2 00
	200	Potter & Aiken, counsel,	3 00

Nov. 7,	201	State Treasurer, Overseers,	\$36 80
	202	Dennis O'Leary, snow,	6 16
	203	Daniel O'Leary, schools,	12 00
	204	Arthur Heald, schools,	28 00
	205	Arthur Bigney, schools,	90 00
	206	Lawson S. Brigham, snow,	13 26
	207	S. W. Fay, highway rails,	8 00
	208	Alice Chickering, Overseers,	10 00
	209	George P. Calhoun, snow,	3 00
	210	F. A. Nichols, Overseers,	98 94
	211	Joseph Davis, schools,	12 00
	212	Clark Wellington, schools,	16 00
	213	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	115 17
	214	Amos Strong, highway tools,	18 12
	215	J. M. Moulton, constable,	2 75
	216	Dennis O'Herron, snow and school,	36 33
	217	George E. Bigelow, snow,	3 25
	218	C. W. Dodge, state aid,	37 00
	219	Helen A. Moulton, schools,	52 00
	220	Clark & Sawyer, schools,	3 00
	221	Minne E. Farnsworth, schools,	58 00
	222	Lucy C. Dodge, schools,	56 00
	223	T. Sibley Heald, Selectman,	6 00
	224	C. W. Dodge, Treasurer and Overseer,	8 25
Dec. 5,	225	N. W. Rutier, Overseer,	75 00
	226	P. C. Jewell, snow,	5 50
	227	Leach, Sewall & Sanborn, schools,	21 10
	228	Walter A. Wheeler, snow,	11 17
	229	Sadie H. Dodge, school,	35 00
	230	Michael Loughman, highway tools,	4 70
	231	George B. Lough, snow,	5 17
	232	A. B. Pratt, Assessor,	30 00
	233	John B. Wells, schools,	1 30
	234	C. W. Dodge, state aid,	31 00
	235	Charles Parker, Board of Health,	5 00
	236	R. C. Prescott, sexton,	12 00
	237	H. A. Kennen,	49 80
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January 2,	238	Edward Whitney, schools,	8 26
	239	Era C. Dudley, bridges,	22 35
	240	Lucy C. Dodge, school,	56 00
	241	Sarah W. Dodge, school,	78 75
	242	M. E. West, school,	32 00
	243	M. E. Farnsworth, school.	58 00
	244	Helen A. Moulton, school,	52 00
	245	M. P. Hill, school,	136 00
	246	Clark Wellington, school,	30 40

January 2,	247	Daniel Valley, snow,	\$4 00
	248	William J. Hunt, schools,	3 60
	249	M. E. West, school.	84 00
	250	C. W. Dodge, state aid,	35 00
	251	Thomas Lough, snow,	4 00
	252	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	44 65
	253	T. Sibley Heald, Selectman,	10 00
	254	S. Bothwell, costs,	10 66
Feb. 6,	255	George S. Putnam, Truant Officers,	5 00
	256	William R. Comins, Overseers,	5 00
	257	Walter A. Hunter, School Committee,	41 75
	258	W. A. Wheeler, School Committee,	15 00
	259	Arthur Bigney, schools,	90 00
	260	Willie O'Leary, schools,	4 00
	261	Arthur Heald, school,	28 00
	262	Charles Foster, sexton,	1 50
	263	H. J. Davis, schools,	5 55
	264	S. E. Wedge, school,	116 00
	265	Daniel Valley, schools,	3 00
	266	Commonwealth of Mass., Overseers,	36 80
	267	J. M. Taylor, snow and highway,	12 00
	268	Henry A. Kennen, highway,	27 07
	269	F. A. Nichols, Overseers,	52 59
	270	William E. Chamberlin,	30 00
	271	W. A. Hunter, schools,	6 25
	272	George S. Putnam, Assessors,	2 50
	273	C. W. Dodge, state aid,	37 00
	274	C. R. Bartlett, schools,	28 20
Feb. 15,	275	J. F. Goldthwait, school and snow,	50 00
	276	C. R. Bartlett, hearse house,	300 00
	277	William C. Temple, School Committee,	35 50
	278	T. Sibley Heald, Selectman and Registrar,	18 00
	279	F. G. Bartlett, Selectman and Registrar,	40 00
	280	M. R. Moulton, Selectman and Registrar,	41 50
	281	L. Q. Spaulding, care of clock and Auditor,	39 00
	282	George W. Hudson, schools,	1 00
	283	David F. Smith, Overseer and repairs,	34 75
	284	Freeman R. Foster, Overseers,	10 00
	285	Mrs. F. R. Foster, Librarian,	26 00
	286	H. A. Kennen, Overseer,	15 00
	287	J. H. Hathaway, Overseer,	8 50
	288	Chester W. Dodge, Collector and Treas.,	150 00
	289	Charles R. Bartlett, snow,	5 50
	290	G. A. Putnam, Town Clerk, Registrar, Jus ,	42 30
	291	W. P. Adams, schools,	8 88
	292	Geo. H. Clark & Co, schools,	11 95
	293	American Book Co.,	18 15

RECAPITULATION.

Paid	Town Clerk,	\$42 30
	Selectmen,	103 50
	Assessors,	92 50
	Overseers of Poor,	51 50
	School Committee,	128 75
	Collector and Treasurer,	150 00
	Constables,	5 25
	Sextons,	44 50
	Librarian,	52 00
	Truant Officers,	5 00
	Registrars of Voters,	18 00
	Auditor,	19 00
	Incidentals,	1,253 62
	Overseers orders,	933 13
	Snow bills,	830 54
	State aid,	424 00
	Highways,	1,674 53
	Schools,	2,303 29
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		\$8,131 41

A LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS, 1892.

IRA G. DUDLEY,	FRANK D. FORBUSH,
LORENZO Q. SPAULDING,	DENNIS A. SMITH,
STEPHEN P. ALLEN,	JOHN W. ADAMS,
ARTHUR F. BROWN,	MICHAEL LOUGHMAN,
H. EDWARD WHEELER,	JOSEPH M. MOULTON,
GEORGE W. COWDEN,	JOHN W. MUNROE,
PAUL WHEELER,	JOSEPH O'HERRON,
	ARTHUR L. MILES.

GUIDE POSTS.

In obedience to the laws of the Commonwealth, we report in regard to Guide Posts, that they are erected in the following places :

One near E. C. Dudley's. Two at the junction of the roads leading from Barre to Paxton. One near Miles Holden's. Two near F. A. Nichol's store. One near the Muschopogue House. Two on Pound Hill. One near Walter H. Bartlett's. One near Benjamin

Allen's. Two near Alfred Hatstat's. One near No. 1 School-house.
 One near the J. C. Greenleaf place. One near D. R. Wheeler's.
 Two near M. M. Smith's. One near the New Boston Mills. Two
 near Erastus Dean place. One near Charles E. Reid's. One near
 Daniel Nyhin's. One near Addison Child's. One near Charles R.
 Bartlett's place. Two near T. Sibley Heald's.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON,	} Selectmen
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
	of
	Rutland.

RUTLAND, Feb. 15, 1892.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Town of Rutland in account with C. W. DODGE, Treasurer.

1891.		Cr.
March 10,	Rec'd of F. R. Foster, treasurer, 1890, cash,	\$236 00
10,	F. R. Foster, treasurer, selectmen's orders,	324 24
10,	On note of F. B. Stearns,	63 30
10,	L. M. Hanff, collector, 1888,	48 08
16,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890, note and interest on bonded note,	1,300 00
16,	F. R. Foster, treas., abatement of taxes for 1890.	252 46
27,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890, cash,	200 00
31,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890, cash,	120 00
April 4,	F. R. Foster. treas., 1890, cash,	50 00
4,	W. Wheeler, school tuition,	10 00
15,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	156 34
27,	F. R. Foster, treas. 1890,	100 00
30,	F. B. Stearns, liquor license,	550 00
May 2,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	100 00
28,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	60 00
June 4,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	600 00
6,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	150 00
9,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	200 00
12,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	50 00
15,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	100 00
24,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	100 00
24,	David F. Smith, for Wm. O. Smith,	400 00
24,	J. Warren Bigelow, note,	250 00
July 1,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	80 00
6,	Worcester Five Cent Savings Bank,	500 00
10,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	200 00
Aug. 1,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	220 00
Sept. 5,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	101 00
7,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	112 00
8.	Peoples Savings Bank,	2,000 00

Sept.	8,	Peoples Savings Bank,	\$500 00
	14,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	100 00
	26,	D. F. Smith, for Wm. O. Smith,	48 28
Oct.	6,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	100 73
	23,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	100 00
Nov.	3,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	100 00
	5,	L. M. Hanff, treas., 1888,	67 50
Dec.	5,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	100 00
	10,	State Treasurer.	805 61
	28,	County Treasurer, dog fund,	165 42
1892.			
Jan.	2,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	50 00
	25,	State Treasurer, school fund,	342 64
Feb.	13,	F. R. Foster, treas., 1890,	56 90
	13,	L. M. Hanff, treas., 1888, taxes,	56 67
	13,	L. M. Hanff, treas., 1890, interest on taxes,	55 84
	13,	D. F. Smith, for Wm. O. Smith,	213 40
	13,	Tax bills for 1891,	8,594 54
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			\$20,090 95

1891.		Dr.
March	12, Paid Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	\$50 00
	16, F. R. Foster, treasurer, 1890, note and interest on Revere National Bank,	1,300 00
	16, F. R. Foster, abatement of taxes for C. R. Bartlett, '90,	190 50
	16, F. R. Foster, abatement of taxes for A. Hatstat, 1890,	61 96
April	7, E. C. Morris & Co., safe,	202 10
May	30, State Treasurer, one-fourth liquor license,	137 50
June	6, Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	21 25
	12, Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	21 25
	24, J. Warren Bigelow, interest,	30 00
July	20, S. Prouty, interest,	18 00
	20, S. Prouty, insurance policy,	3 20
	20, Geo. A. Putnam, interest,	24 00
	20, Geo. A. Putnam, interest,	9 00
Aug.	22, J. W. Bigelow, interest,	9 00
Sept.	8, Peoples Savings Bank, note,	2,000 00

Sept.	8,	Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	50 00
	15,	State Treasurer, interest,	280 00
	26,	E. A. Brown, County Treas , county tax,	214 00
Oct.	6,	F. R. Foster, abatement of taxes, 1890,	18 15
Dec.	5,	Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	21 25
	10,	State Tax,	360 00
	12,	County Treasurer, balance on county tax.	200 00
	28,	Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	21 25
1892.			
Jan.	7,	J. W. Bigelow, interest,	30 00
	15,	Worcester Five Cent Savings Bank, interest,	12 50
Feb.	14,	S. W. Fay, Treasurer Rural Cemetery Association,	100 00
	8,	Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	510 42
	8,	J. W. Bigelow, note and interest,	259 37
	15,	293 Selectmen's Orders,	8,131 41
			<u>\$14,286 11</u>
Feb.	15,	Tax bills unpaid,	\$3,321 80
	15,	Cash on hand,	<u>2,483 04</u>
Balance in treasury Feb. 15, 1892,			\$5,804 84

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. DODGE, Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have met with the Selectmen and examined all bills brought against the town, and approved the same. Amounting to \$8,131.41.

I have examined the books and accounts of the Selectmen and find them correct and properly vouched, I have also examined the books of the Treasurer and Collector.

I find that he has collected from taxes,	\$5,272 74
and that he has received from other sources,	9,013 37
Making a total,	<u>\$14,286 11</u>

That he has paid 293 orders of Selectmen, amounting to,	\$8,131 41
He has paid notes, interest and other acc'ts, amounting to,	6,154 70
Making a total paid,	<u>\$14,286 11</u>
All of which is properly vouched.	

I find there is cash in the hands of the Treasurer and unpaid taxes, amounting to	\$5,804 84
There is also taxes in the hands of F. R. Foster,	600 00
and taxes in the hands of L. M. Hanff,	33 94
Making in all,	<u>\$6,438 78</u>

I find the liabilities of the town are,	\$20,600 00
And the assets,	<u>13,034 78</u>
Being a balance against the town of,	<u>\$7,565 22</u>

I have examined the books and accounts of the Overseers' of the Poor and find them correct and properly vouched.

The Auditor would recommend some changes in the manner of doing business of the town officers, and also in the time of paying taxes, in order to simplify the business of the town and to aid the people who have bills against the town.

L. Q. SPAULDING, Auditor.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for 1891:

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE OF BIRTH.
		1890
Harry Hunter Prescott,	Edwin S. and Abbie R. (Hunter) Prescott,	Aug. 18
		1891
Charles Emmett Connor,	Thomas H. and Nancy (Gilman) Connor,	Jan. 4
Robert Edgar Henderson,	Joshua and Mary J. (Williams) Henderson,	Jan. 16
Harry EuRoy Stone,	E. Eugene and Emma J. (Bartlett) Stone,	Jan. 17
Merrill Halladay Wheeler,	Walter A. and Mary A. (Wedge) Wheeler,	Jan. 22
Arthur Eugene Day,	Clarence J. and Annie (Haskell) Day,	Jan. 25
Ralph Lile Bartley,	Eugene and Maggie E. (Mulhern) Bartley,	Feb. 8
Georgia Anna Taylor.	George M. and Anna (Hammond) Taylor,	Feb. 27
George Albert Lawless,	John T. and Emma M. (Huse) Lawless,	Mar. 15
Walter George Sargent,	Newton I. and Maggie I. (Hammond) Sargent,	Mar. 16
Lucie Malvina Taylor,,	Simeon D. and Lucy H. I. (Putnam) Taylor,	Mar. 31
Harriet Eveline Lough,	George B. and Sarah J. (Cowden) Lough,	April 9
Laura Lincoln Miles,	George H. and Etta L. (Miles) Miles,	May 10
Roland Cutler Prescott,	Roland C. and Joanna K. (Cutler) Prescott,	June 24
Nellie Carrie Jewell,	Peter C. and Carrie E (Putnam) Jewell,	Aug. 2
Abel Cyrus Supernor,	Jeremiah and Josephine (Divou) Supernor,	Aug. 13
Linnie Bessie Reed,	Frank H. and Jennie E. (Reekie) Reed,	Sept. 2
George Irving Hunt,	William J. and Ida L. (Foster) Hunt,	Sept. 3
Wallace Clifford Forbush,	Frank D. and Jennie E. (Campbell) Forbush,	Oct. 2
Carl Raymond Griffin,	John H. and Jennie E. (Miles) Griffin,	Oct. 10
Eleanor Gleason,	Thomas W. and Nellie (Stone) Gleason,	Oct. 15
Bertha Cleora Hunt,	Frederick S. and Abbie R. G. (Wales) Hunt,	Oct. 29
Dora Vivian Chickering,	Curtis N. and Carrie E. (Cummings) Chickering,	Dec. 8
Hazel Alice Hanff,	Louis M. and Frances I. (Putnam) Hanff,	Dec. 25
Ernest Wenzel Brodmerkle,	Wenzel J. and Sarah E. (Adams) Brodmerkle,	Dec. 26.

MARRIAGES.

1891.		
April	29,	William Farnham, of Rutland, and Maria H. Wells of Princeton.
June	7,	Curtis N. Chickering and Carrie E. Cummings, both of Rutland.
July	2,	John Fenton and Anna Brook, both of Oakham.
Sept.	23,	John J. Welsh, of Rutland, and Maggie L. Donnelly, of Worcester.
Oct.	14,	Cornelius Griffin, of Rutland, and Nellie F. Smiddy, of Worcester.
Nov.	26,	Henry W. Calkin and Mary L. Miles, both of Rutland.
Nov.	28,	Baxter Fay and Frances S. West, both of Rutland.
Dec.	25,	Samuel E. Winch, of Rutland and Cyrena L. Flint, of Cambridge.

DEATHS.

DATE,	NAMES.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		yrs.	mo.	ds.	
1891.					
Jan.	18, George R. N. Sargent,	61	1	27	Diabetis Melletes.
Feb.	9, Avelina Durdeen,		3		Marasmus.
	9, Abbott A. Adams,	32	6	12	Tuberculosis Pulmonalis.
	20, Oren Bigelow,	35	9	9	Heart Disease.
March	4, Mrs. Catharine A. King,	76	7		Pneumonia.
April	2, Carrie L. Pierce,	14	2	28	Pulmonary Hemorrhage.
	6, Mrs. Georgia E. Browning,	20	6	1	Phthisis.
	6, Mrs. Abbie D. Sawyer,	46	9	26	Meningitis.
Aug.	12, Harry E. Griffin,	5	10	12	Diphtheria.
	20, Mrs. Mary Powers,	60			Rheumatism and Paralysis.
Sept.	15, Mrs. Chloe D. Strong,	41	7	6	Puerperal Eclampsia.
Oct.	1, William Edwin Quimby,	53	7	24	Cancer.
	9, John Bryant King	76	10	4	Heart Disease, found dead.
	27, Rufus B. Miles,	82		4	Old Age.
Nov.	19, Mrs. Lois M. Sawyer,	78			Old Age and Paralysis.
Nov.	19, Mrs. Susannah Whitney,	82	6	25	Heart Failure.
Dec.	23, George B. Munroe,	65	9	19	LaGrippe and Pneumonia.
	23, John N. Sargent,	59	11	10	Diabetes.
	And two Stillbirths.				

The number of Dogs licensed in 1891, was

98	Male Dogs, @ \$2.00,	\$196 00
3	Female Dogs @ \$5.00,	15 00
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		\$211 00
	Fees for registration,	20 20
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	Paid to County Treasurer,	\$190 80

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, Town Clerk.

Rutland Feb. 15, 1892.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

As Superintendent of the Highways of the Town of Rutland, I have expended the following amount for which I have received orders on the Treasurer.

Amount worked out in the following months :

WORKED.	ORDERS.	AMOUNT.
March,	April 4,	\$5 25
April,	May 2,	172 00
May,	June 6,	482 58
June,	June 27,	347 85
July,	Aug. 1,	178 69
August,	September 5,	238 25
September,	October 3,	78 35
October,	November 7,	66 92
November,	December 5,	49 80
December,	January 2,	27 77
January,	February 6,	27 07
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		\$1.674 53

Repairing bridges,	\$23 25
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NUMBER OF TOOLS ON HAND.

1 Plow,	3 Picks,
2 Hand Scrapers,	2 Hoes,
2 Bush Scrapers,	1 Hook,
3 Spades,	1 Bush Seythe,
3 Shovels,	1 Steel Bar,
1 Fork,	1 Cleaver,
2 Rakes,	1 Wrench,
2 Road Machines.	

H. A. KENNEN, Supt. of Roads.

Rutland, Feb. 13, 1892.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

On account of the limited appropriation of the town for this year, your Trustees have made no purchases of books, preferring to combine the small balance with the appropriation for another year.

The sum of ten dollars will be expended in rebinding books, after which all will be in good condition. No book has been lost during the year.

The number of books taken from the Library by readers is 2618; nearly 200 more than the previous report.

Donations of the following books have been made during the year :

1406	Supplement to the Revised Statutes.	
1407	The Chocolate Plant,	By W. Baker
1408	Report of Board of Education, '89-'90.	
1409	New England Nun,	Mary E. Wilkins
1410	Thoughts on Religion and Morality,	James Eddy
1411	Twenty Years Around the World,	J. G. Vassar
1412	Illustrated Biography of Connecticut,	J. A. Spaulding

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Balance of last year,	\$7 99	
Appropriation, (Dog Fund,)	65 42	
Fines,	4 19	
Sale of Catalogues,	1 70	
	<hr/>	\$79 30

EXPENDITURES.

Salary of Librarian,	\$52 00	
Express on books and incidentals,	3 32	
	<hr/>	\$55 32
Balance,		<hr/> \$23 98

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. WHEELER, for Trustees.

W. A. WHEELER,	}	Trustees of Rutland Free Library.
MRS. SARAH MUNROE,		
MRS. H. R. SPAULDING,		





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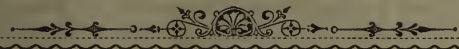

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TOWN OFFICERS.

MODERATOR,
CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

TOWN CLERK,
GEORGE A. PUTNAM.

SELECTMEN,
M. R. MOULTON, F. G. BARTLETT, T. S. HEALD.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,
DAVID F. SMITH, HENRY A. KENNEN, F. R. FOSTER.

ASSESSORS,
GEO. S. PUTNAM, CHESTER W. DODGE. IRA G. DUDLEY.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
WALTER A. WHEELER, WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,
WALTER A. HUNTER, CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR, ROAD COMMISSIONER,
CHESTER W. DODGE. HENRY A. KENNEN.

CONSTABLES,
GEO. S. PUTNAM, JOSEPH M. MOULTON, FRED B. STEARNS,
WALTER A. HUNTER, J. WARREN MOULTON.

SEXTON, LIBRARIAN,
ROLAND C. PRESCOTT. Mrs. FREEMAN R. FOSTER.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE,
W. A. WHEELER, Mrs. G. B. MUNROE. Mrs. L. Q. SPAULDING.

MEASURERS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER.
J. W. BIGELOW, GEO. A. PUTNAM, J. W. O'HERRON,
J. W. MOULTON, ADDISON CHILDS.

FENCE VIEWERS,
GEO. A. PUTNAM, DANIEL DEMOND, A. B. FISHER.

FIELD DRIVERS,
FRANK H. REED, D. O'HERRON, J. E. LEARY.

POUND KEEPER, AUDITOR.
GEORGE W. HUDSON. L. Q. SPAULDING.

WARRANT

FOR

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 6TH, 1893.

WORCESTER, SS. TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN
OF RUTLAND :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Rutland, on Monday, the sixth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following Articles, to wit :

1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To see if the Town will accept the Reports of the Town Officers for the past year, or act thereon.
4. To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.
5. To determine the compensation of Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.
6. To see what sums of money the Town will raise for the support of the Public schools; for repairs on the Highways; for the support of the Poor; for lighting Street Lamps; for use Memorial Day; for Contingent Expenses and Paying Debts; and appropriate the same.

7. To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors, as presented by the Selectmen.

8. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town, under the direction of the Selectmen.

9. To see if the Town will instruct their Assessors to abate any taxes in the hands of their Collector.

10. To see what interest shall be paid on taxes not paid in a specified time.

11. To vote by ballot, Yes or No, to the question, Shall License be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town.

12. To see if the Town will vote to support their Poor on the co-operative plan, with any or all of the Towns of Hubbardston, Holden, Oakham, Princeton, Paxton or Westminster *in some* place with said Towns; and choose a Committee with authority to form an association according to provisions of Law, or do, or act anything relating thereto.

13. To see if the Town will vote to rent their Town Farm for a term of years; or sell, or act thereon.

14. To see what action the Town will take in regard to a claim against the Town, brought by B. F. Browning, for damages caused by drainage of the Highway; also claim of L. Q. Spaulding, Auditor.

15. To see what method the Town will adopt for digging and filling Graves and attending funerals with the Hearse, the ensuing year

16. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee to provide transportation for children of school age to and from school-houses remote from their homes, and make appropriations to carry the same into effect, or act thereon.

17. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888, relating to the employment of a superintendent of schools, and appropriate money therefor.

18. To determine the manner of warning future meetings.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to the vote of said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this sixteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

M. R. MOULTON,	}	Selectmen of Rutland.
F. G. BARTLETT,		
T. SIBLEY HEALD,		

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Schedule of Property, as Appraised by the Overseers,

FEBRUARY 13, 1893.

Real Estate	\$2,640 00
Farming tools and household furniture,	825 00
2 horses,	200 00
13 cows,	455 00
2 yearlings,	30 00
2 hogs and 6 pigs,	64 00
21 tons English hay,	378 00
2 tons meadow hay,	12 00
44 fowls,	30 00
8 bushels seed corn,	8 00
4 bushels sweet corn,	8 00
Grain,	30 00
Beans,	11 00
Cider and vinegar,	50 00
51 bushels potatoes,	51 00
Garden vegetables,	5 00
Salt pork,	10 00
Hams,	10 00
Beef and pork,	10 00
Butter and lard,	10 30
Tallow and candles,	5 00

Pickles and sauce,	\$10 00	
Soap,	5 00	
Flour and crackers,	10 00	
Apples,	12 00	
Spices,	2 00	
Eggs,	70	
Wire,	4 00	
Lime and coal,	35 00	
Sausages and meat,	5 00	
Phosphate,	3 60	
Lumber,	25 00	
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		\$4,954 60

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES AT ALMSHOUSE.

Interest on real and personal estate appraised		
February 13, 1892, at 6% on \$4,987.00,	\$299 22	
Decrease in appraisal of property,	32 40	
Salary of Warden for year ending April 1, 1893,	375 00	
Bought Flour and grain,	174 22	
Groceries,	261 20	
Meat and fish,	54 11	
Cloth, yarn and thread,	15 51	
Tobacco,	6 55	
Tin and iron ware,	30 50	
Blacksmithing,	17 25	
Farming tools and repairs,	51 03	
Grass and other seeds,	18 37	
Labor,	294 08	
Stock and use of same,	69 00	
Hay,	160 00	
Phosphate and coal,	101 75	
Medicine,	3 10	
Funeral expenses of Asa Lakin,	17 00	
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		\$1,980 29
Income of farm,	1,090 19	
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Net expenses at farm,		\$890 10

SUMMARY OF INCOME AT ALMSHOUSE.

Sold Cream, milk and butter,	\$578 69
Calves,	27 75
Eggs and poultry,	34 36
Vegetables,	68 14
Labor,	82 50
Cider and vinegar,	7 10
Hay,	53 02
Pork,	45 50
Board,	10 00
Stoves, etc.,	16 30
Due for hay,	79 16
Due from Warden,	87 67
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	\$1,090 19

The following persons have been supported at the almshouse the past year, ending Febuary 13, 1893 :

Lucy Sawyer,	age 81	52 weeks.
Moses Clark,	82	52
Mrs. Wm. O. Smith,	65	52
Asa Lakin,	92 died June 10.	16 weeks, 3 days.
John Kelley,		13 weeks, 2 days.
Tramps, 59,		8 weeks, 3 days.

Whole number of weeks board,	194
Cost per week. \$4.59.	

TOWN ORDERS.

1892

Febru'y	N. W. Rutier, for salary,	\$30 00
	City of Waltham, for Austin Preston	16 11
March	N. W. Rutier, for salary,	75 00
	Lewis H. Marsh, for Mrs. Mundell,	5 86
	F. A. Nichols, goods for Wm. Cummings,	9 00
	West Brookfield, for Albert Roper,	3 38
	N. W. Rutier, for salary, (balance)	147 78

April	F. A. Nichols, goods for Eliza Clark,	\$ 2 62
May	Commonwealth, for Wm. O. Smith,	36 40
	Town of Oakham for Mrs. Daniel Martin,	25 00
June	E. C. Dudley, for phosphate,	36 00
	R. C. Prescott, coffin and robe for Asa Lakin,	17 00
	R. C. Prescott, coffin for Joseph Paquin,	10 00
July	Dr. Palmer, for Mrs. Mundell,	15 30
Sept	Commonwealth, for Wm. O. Smith,	36 40
	Warden & Phelps, for Hay,	160 00
	F. R. Foster, for G. F. Putney,	10 00
Oct	F. A. Nichols, for goods,	137 51
	Dr. Chamberlin, for Mary Reidy,	4 50
	“ “ Joseph Paquin,	1 50
	“ “ Eliza Clark,	14 00
	H. B. Ruiter, for salary,	185 00
	Patrick Delehanty, for cow and calf,	24 50
Nov.	R. C. Prescott, casket for G. F. Putney,	10 00
	City of Worcester, for E. M. Rice,	13 87
Dec.	Commonwealth, for Wm. O. Smith,	36 80
	Peter O'Connor, team for funeral of Joseph Paquin, (state pauper).	5 00
1893.		
Jan.	A. Hatstatt, for C. B. Bowers,	14 00
	Dr. Palmer, for Mrs. Adolphus Clark,	4 75
	Dr. Palmer, for Edmund Clark,	11 00
Feb.	Fred Stearns, for goods,	36 41
	R. C. Prescott, for burial expenses of Alice Chickering,	17 00
	Geo. S Putnam, for burial expenses of Mrs. Rufus Sawyer, in 1891,	15 00
	A. Hatstatt, for C. B. Bowers,	12 00
	H. Converse, for groceries,	42 12
	Samuel Whiting, rent for Bowers,	5 00
	J. A. Pierce, coal and phosphate,	58 32
		<hr/> \$1,284 13

EXPENSE OF SUPPORTING PAUPERS OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

PAID.

	Commonwealth, for Wm. O. Smith,	\$109 60
	City of Waltham, for Austiu Preston,	16 11
Mar.,	Lewis H. Marsh, for Mrs. Mundell,	5 86
	West Brookfield, for Albert Roper,	3 38
April,	Wm. Cummings, for Alice Chickering's child,	4 00
Mar.,	Wm. Cummings, for Alice Chickering,	5 00
May,	Town of Oakham, for Mrs. Daniel Martin,	25 00
June,	R. C. Prescott, coffin and robe for Alice Chickering,	17 00
	R. C. Prescott, coffin for Joseph Paquin,	10 00
July,	Dr. Palmer, for Mrs. Mundell,	15 90
	F. A. Nichols, goods for Alice Chickering,	9 00
	F. A. Nichols, goods for Eliza Clark,	2 62
Sept.,	F. R. Foster, for G. F. Putney,	10 00
Oct.,	Dr. Chamberlin, for Mary Reidy,	4 50
	" " Joseph Paquin,	1 50
	" " Eliza Clark,	14 00
Nov.	R. G. Prescott, casket for G. F. Putney,	10 00
	City of Worcester, for E. M. Rice,	13 87
Dec.	Peter O'Connor, team for funeral of Joseph Paquin,	5 00
	Dr. Palmer, for Eliza Clark,	4 75
	" " Edmund Clark,	11 00
1893.		
Jan.	A. Hatstatt, for C. B. Bowers,	14 00
	Samuel Whiting, rent for C. B. Bowers,	5 00
	A. Hatstatt, for C. B. Bowers,	12 00
	Geo. S. Putnam, burial expenses of Mrs. Rufus Sawyer in 1891,	15 00
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		\$344 09
Expenses at almshouse,		890 10
Overseers services,		52 50
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		\$1,286 69

Amount brought forward,		\$1,286 69
Received from State for Joseph Paquin,	\$15 00	
' City of Woburn for Mary Reidy	4 50	
Town of Bolton for C. B. Bowers	32 00	
Harlow Chickering estate,	58 00	
	<hr/>	\$109 50

Expenses of supporting town paupers at and outside of almshouse for the past year,	\$1,177 19
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Respectfully submitted,

D. F. SMITH,	{ Overseers
H. A. KENNEN,	
F. R. FOSTER,	
	of the
	Poor.

February 16, 1893.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

OF THE

Financial Condition of the Town for the year ending Feb. 15, 1893.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer, during the past year, 221 Orders, amounting to the sum of \$7,439.86.

The appropriations of the Town were as follows :

State Tax,	\$402 50
County Tax,	396 00
Town Grant,	8,575 00
Overlays,	208 60
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	\$9,582 10

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Revere Bank Boston,	\$13,000 00
Peoples Savings Bank,	4,000 00
J. W. Bigelow,	1,000 00
S. Prouty,	300 00
Geo. A Putnam,	400 00
Worcester Five Cent Savings Bank,	500 00
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	\$19,200 00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due for. State aid	\$300 00
Town Hall janitor	8 00
H. Converse, trustee,	1,378 00
C. W. Dodge, Treasurer,	6,565 94
Town Farm, stock and tools,	4,954 60
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	\$13,206 54
Balance against the Town,	\$5,993 46
As against last year,	\$7,565 22
	5,993 46
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Decrease of Town debt,	\$1,571 76

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid George A Putnam,	\$46 95
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SELECTMEN.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	\$35 50
F. G Bartlett,	34 00
F. Sibley Heald,	34 00
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	\$103 50

ASSESSORS.

Paid George S Putnam,	\$41 25
Chester W. Dodge,	35 00
Ira G. Dudley,	37 50
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	\$113 75

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid David F. Smith,	\$23 50
Henry A. Kennen,	14 00
Freeman R. Foster,	15 00
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	\$52 50

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid W. A. Wheeler,	\$5 00
Chas. R. Bartlett,	7 50
Walter A. Hunter,	37 75
Wm. C. Temple,	47 50
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	\$97 75

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid Chester W. Dodge,	\$150 00
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CONSTABLES.

Paid George S. Putnam,	\$13 00
Joseph M. Moulton,	7 00
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	\$20 00

SEXTONS.

Paid Roland C. Prescott,	\$43 25
Ebenezer Wellington,	11 00
George S. Putnam, (old bill)	6 00
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	\$60 25

LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. Freeman R. Foster,	\$52 00
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TRUANT OFFICERS.

Paid George S. Putnam,	\$5 50
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid George A. Putnam,	\$15 50
M. R. Moulton,	\$6 00
F. G. Bartlett,	6 00
T. S. Heald,	6 00
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	\$33 50
Total,	\$735 70

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

1892.

April.	Paid S. Kendall & Co , supplies,	\$0 75
	Walter A. Hunter,	40 00
	E. Wellington,	5 00
	D. Valley, janitor,	1 00
May.	Walter A. Wheeler,	35
	W. A. Hunter, supplies,	4 60
	Louise Somers, teacher,	26 00
	Helen A. Moulton, teacher,	14 00
	M. D. Potter, transit,	20 00
	P. A. Scott, janitor,	3 00
	C. A. Ware,	1 70
June.	Lucy Dodge, teacher,	32 50
	Maria West, “	49 00
	W. A. Wheeler, teacher,	50 00

July	Mary A. Putnam,	\$45 75
	Marie West, teacher,	38 75
	Louise Somers, teacher,	45 50
	M. P. Hill, “	98 25
	Mrs. Geo. Baker,	1 50
	Sarah Bemis,	2 50
	E. O. Wilson,	2 75
	M. D. Potter, transit,	24 00
	Putnam & Sprague, supplies,	24 50
	E. Whitney,	9 10
	L. C. Dodge, teacher,	39 00
	B. W. Putnam,	3 00
	W. R. Upham, transit,	33 00
	B. W. Putnam,	2 75
	W. A. Wheeler,	70 00
	Boston School Supply Co.,	18 03
	American Book Co.,	15 81
	Hattie O. Gile, teacher,	70 00
	Wm. C. Temple,	20 00
	Geo. H. Miles, transit,	27 50
Aug.	H. A. Moulton, teacher,	57 90
	W. A. Wheeler, supplies,	1 50
Sept.	Mary McGann,	3 00
	Warren G. Wales,	10 00
Oct.	Arthur A. Heald, transit,	11 00
	Willie O’Leary,	2 75
	H. Converse,	25
	Boston Supply Co.,	16 24
	American Book Co.,	16 67
	Levi H. Stearns,	1 25
	H. Heald, transit,	28 00
	D. O’Leary, transit,	13 12
	M. D. Potter, “	24 00
	M. Frances Brown, teacher,	35 00
Nov.	Lilian Proctor, teacher,	28 00
	Edward Whitney,	3 85
Dec.	Albion Paper Co.,	5 25
	E. H. Crosby,	7 50
	F. B. Whiting, teacher,	52 00
	Lilian A. Proctor, teacher,	28 00

Dec.	H. L. Pierce, teacher,	\$110 00
	H. C. Wilder, teacher;	60 00
	M. F; Brown, teacher,	35 00
	W. R. Upham, transit,	30 00
	Sanford & Co.,	4 35

1893.

Jan.	Paid.	Walter A. Hunter,	21 00
		American Book Co.,	9 00
		M. A. Leamy,	28 00
		L. A. Proctor,	35 00
		E. Whittier,	1 23
		H. Heald, transit,	14 00
		M. D. Potter, transit,	16 00
		L. S. Putnam,	10 00
Feb.		N. L. Pierce,	94 00
		M. P. Hill,	145 50
		W. A. Hunter,	28 00
		M. Francis Brown,	49 00
		M. D. Potter, transit,	28 00
		Lilian A. Proctor,	32 25
		F. B. Whiting,	63 75
		Dennis Leary, transit,	50 62
		S. F. Bemis,	3 75
		W. R. Upham, transit,	21 00
		H. Heald, transit,	17 50
		M. A. Leamy,	98 00
		H. J. Davis,	8 27
		R. C. Prescott,	1 00
		Stillman J. Fletcher,	1 50
		W. C. Temple,	4 00
		Mary A. Putnam,	26 00
		Anna B. McGann,	4 25
		Peter O'Connor, (school)	7 00
		American Book Co.,	105 00
		L. H. Stearns,	3 00
		H. Converse,	1 40

Total, \$2,351 24

OVERSEER'S ORDERS.

1892.

Apr.	Paid.	L. H. Marsh,	\$5 86
		City of Waltham,	16 11
		N. W. Ruiter,	252 78
		Town of W. Brookfield,	3 38
		S. Whiting,	5 00
		Jesse Allen.	25 00
June.		Commonwealth Mass.,	36 40
July.		E. C. Dudley,	36 00
Aug.		H. O. Palmer, M. D.,	15 30
		Commonwealth Mass.,	86 40
Sept.		F. A. Nichols,	11 62
Oct.		Warden & Phelps,	160 00
		W. E. Chamberlin, M. D.,	20 00
Nov.		F. A. Nichols,	137 51
		Patrick Delahanty,	24 50
		F. R. Foster,	10 00
		H. D. Ruiter,	185 00
		A. Hatstatt,	14 00
		R. C. Prescott,	10 00
Dec.		Commonwealth Mass.,	36 80
		Peter O'Connor,	5 00
		F. B. Stearns,	36 41
		A. Hatstatt,	12 00
		R. C. Prescott,	17 00

1893.

Feb.		H. O. Palmer, M. D.,	15 75
		City of Worcester,	13 87
		Geo. S. Putnam,	15 00
		H. Converse,	42 12
		Funeral expenses of Asa Lakin,	27 00
		J. A. Pierce,	58 32

Total,	<u>\$1,284 13</u>
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HIGHWAY BILLS.

1892.

Apr.	Paid.	H. A. Kennen,	\$13 50
May.		H. A. Kennen,	380 55
June.		H. A. Kennen,	387 86
July.		H. A. Kennen,	572 83
Aug.		H. A. Kennen,	79 65
Sep.		H. A. Kennen,	196 49
Oct.		C. H. Butler,	12 00
		E. Wellington,	6 75
		H. A. Kennen,	185 00
		T. S. Heald,	2 10
Nov.		L. S. Brigham,	10 70
Dec.		H. A. Kennen,	30 30

1893.

Jan.	Paid.	Warren Wales,	6 00
Total,			<hr/> \$1,883 73

BREAKING ROADS.

1892.

Apr.	Paid	Walter A. Hunter,	\$1 53
		Stephen Broderic,	3 25
		J. Hammond,	12 67
		T. S. Heald,	5 33
		H. A. Kennen,	11 40
May.		Daniel Leary,	20 72
		Walter H. Prescott,	13 49
June.		Ivory Wales,	6 82
		J. M. Taylor,	11 16
		Clarence Dodge,	1 35
		R. C. Prescott,	3 93
July.		Edward Mellen,	8 33
		M. Leary,	12 50
		Geo. P. Woodis,	50

Aug.	Paid.	D. P. Avery,	\$1 75
		Geo. H. Miles,	6 41
		A. B. Pratt,	1 17
Oct.		C. H. Butler,	2 82
Nov.		E. F. Prescott,	3 00
		Levi H. Stearns,	2 67
		Geo. W. Cowden,	2 17
Dec.		Thomas Lough,	1 44
		Geo. P. Calhoun,	2 00
		Geo. H. Rice,	5 10
1893.			.
Feb.		H. J. Davis,	1 42
		T. S. Heald,	3 83
		H. A. Kennen,	4 90
		Wm. H. Hammond,	3 15
		H. C. Bliss,	3 00
		John Welsh,	6 90
		James Hunter,	1 01
		M. Leary,	2 00
		T. S. Heald,	1 05
		C. R. Bartlett,	1 16
Total,			<u>\$169 93</u>

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

1892.			
Apr.	Paid.	Abbie Hunter, abatement of tax,	\$35 00
		E. H. Tripp, printing,	51 25
		S. Prouty, insurance,	39 00
June.		Memorial Day, expense,	25 00
July.		M. R. Moulton, watering place 3 years,	15 00
Aug.		C. F. Lawrence, printing and stationery,	10 00
Sept.		J. S. Wesby & Sons, library,	11 50
Oct.		F. F. Phelps, stone, (old bill)	5 00
Nov.		C. W. Dodge, tax book and incidentals,	4 50
		E. H. Tripp, printing,	31 50
		Henry Moore, gravel bank,	20 00
		A. W. Macomber, Court expense,	13 00
Dec.		American Express Co.,	30

1893.

Jan.	Paid.	J. M. Newton, costs Court,	\$14 40
Feb.		C. W. Dodge, Treasurer,	5 78
		S. B. Bray, railing highway,	20 00
		George E. Allen, supplies,	34 20
		Americau Powder Co., supplies,	9 80
		H. A. Kennen, bridges,	36 54
		Charles Baker & Co., bridge lumber,	40 68
		J. Henderson, labor on bridges,	11 25
		Amos Strong, highway tools,	7 50
		Waldo Wilson, bridge plank,	38 92
		H. A. Kennen, bridge labor,	8 00
		M. Loughman, road-tools repairing,	15 05
		Amos Strong,	9 20
		R. C. Prescott, Columbus day,	2 50
		F. A. Nichols, highway supplies,	5 26
		H. Converse, " "	1 00
Total,			<hr/> \$521 13

STATE AND MILITARY AID.

1892.

April.	Paid for the month of February and March,	\$90 00
May.	Paid for the month of April,	45 00
June.	Paid for the month of May,	45 00
July.	Paid for the month of June,	41 00
August.	Paid for the month of July,	39 00
September.	Paid for the month of August,	39 00
October.	Paid for the month of September,	39 00
November.	Paid for the month of October,	39 00
December.	Paid for the month of November,	39 00

1893.

January.	Paid for the month of December,	39 00
Februaro.	Paid for the month of January,	39 00
Total,		<hr/> \$494 00

RECAPITULATION.

Paid.	Town Clerk,	\$46 95
	Selectmen,	103 50
	Assessors,	113 75
	Overseers of Poor,	52 50
	School Committee,	97 75
	Collector and Treasurer,	150 00
	Constables,	20 00
	Sextons,	60 25
	Librarian,	52 00
	Truant Officers,	5 50
	Registrar of Voters,	33 50
	Incidentals,	521 13
	Overseers orders,	1284 13
	Snow bills,	169 93
	State aid,	494 00
	Highways,	1883 73
	Schools,	2351 24
Total,		\$7,439 86

A LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS, 1893.

IRA G. DUDLEY,
 LORENZO Q. SPAULDING.
 EDWARD F. PRESTON,
 ARTHUR F. BROWN,
 H. EDWARD WHEELER,
 FRANK D. FORBUSH,
 PAUL WHEELER,

DENNIS A. SMITH,
 JOHN W. ADAMS,
 MICHAEL LOUGHMAN,
 JOHN W. MUNROE,
 JOSEPH O. HERRON,
 J. WARREN MOULTON,
 FRED B. STEARNS,

ERA C. DUDLEY.

GUIDE POSTS.

In obedience to the laws of the Commonwealth, we report in regard to Guide Posts, that they are erected in the following places :

One near E. C. Dudleys'. Two at the junction of the roads leading from Barre to Paxton. One near Miles Holden's. Two near F. A. Nichol's store. One near the Muschopogue House. Two on

Pound Hill. One near Walter H. Bartlett's. One near Benjamin Allen's, Two near Alfred Hatstat's. One near No. 1 School-house. One near the J. C. Greenleaf place. One near D. R. Wheeler's. Two near M. M. Smith's One near the New Boston Mills. Two near Erastus Dean place. One near Charles E. Reid's. One near Daniel Nyhin's. One near Addison Child's. One near Charles R. Bartlett's place. Two near T. Sibley Heald's

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON,	} Selectmen of Rutland.
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1893.

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Town of Rutland in account with C. W. DODGE, Collector and Treasurer.

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1892.		
March 8,	Amount brought forward,	\$5,804 86
April 1,	Rec'd of F. R. Foster, treasurer, 1890, cash,	100 00
19,	Daniel Demond, auctioneer's license,	2 00
May 5,	F. R. Foster, treasurer, 1890. cash,	2 00 00
13,	" " " "	50 00
16,	" " " "	50 00
June 4,	" " " "	50 00
24,	Peoples' Savings Bank,	1,000 00
July 2,	F. R. Foster, treasurer, 1890, cash,	45 00
5,	Worcester Five cent Savings Bank,	500 00
Aug. 11,	Balance due from state,	15 00
17,	F. R. Foster, treasurer, 1890, Cash,	105 00
Sept. 8,	Peoples Savings Bank,	2,000 00
15,	Peoples Savings Bank,	500 00
24,	F. R. Foster, treasurer, 1890, interest on taxes,	124 00
30,	David F Smith, guardian for Wm. O. Smith,	89 22
Oct. 1,	Wm. Hudson, janitor for Hall,	9 00
4,	Mathuen Walker, Trial Justice,	5 04
29,	F. R. Foster, treasurer, 1890, cash due on Taxes,	26 00
Nov. 17,	City of Woburn,	4 50
Dec. 12,	State treasurer,	361 83
30,	County treasurer, dog tax,	163 72
1893.		
Jan. 2,	F. R. Foster, treasurer, 1890, interest on taxes,	50 00
20,	Estate of Harlow S. Chickering,	58 00
26,	State treasurer, school fund,	387 20
26,	Town of Bolton, help given C. P. Bowers,	32 00
Feb. 14,	L. M. Hanff, collector, 1888, taxes and interest,	45 48
14,	Tax bills for 1892,	9582 10
14,	Interest on 1891 taxes,	102 62
14,	Interest on 1892 taxes,	20 36
		\$21,481 93

1892.		Dr.
March	8, Paid order on abatement of taxes,	\$44 17
	8, " " " " on C. R. Bartlett,	203 20
	8, Interest on note to Peoples Savings Bank,	50 00
	14, State treasurers' note,	1,000 00
	14, State treasurer's interest on notes,	280 00
	14, Mrs. Abbie Hunter, abatement of taxes,	16 49
April	13, J. Warren Bigelow, note and interest,	156 00
	19, Geo. A. Putnam, note and interest	157 95
May	5, F. R. Foster, collector, 1890, abatement on taxes,	15 40
	13, Rural Cemetery Association, note and interest,	114 92
June	6, Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	21 25
June	16, Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	21 25
	16, J. Warren Bigelow, six months interest on \$1,000	30 00
	30, Schuyler Prouty, interest on note,	18 00
July	5, Worcester Five cent Savings Bank, note and int.,	512 50
Aug.	17, F. R. Foster, collector, 1890, abatement of taxes,	2 00
Sept.	8, Peoples Savings Bank note,	2,000 00
	8, Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	50 00
	15, State treasurer, six months interest on \$13,000,	260 00
	30, County treasurer, county tax,	198 00
Nov.	9, Geo. A. Putnam, interest on note,	32 00
Dec.	2, Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	21 25
	6, County treasurer, county tax.	198 00
	9, State treasurer, state tax,	402 50
	19, J. Warren Bigelow, interest,	30 00
	28, Peoples Savings Bank. interest,	21 25
1893.		
Jan.	2, F. R. Foster, abatement on 1890 tax,	9 00
	12, Worcester Five cent Savings Bank, interest.	12 50
	19, Peoples Savings Bank, note,	500 00
	19, " " interest on note,	7 74
	19, " " note,	1,000 00
	19, " " interest on note,	22 89
Feb.	15, L. M. Hanff, collector, 1888,	2 00
	15, Order of abatement, 1892 tax,	43 87
	15, " " 1891 tax,	22 00
	15, 221 Town orders,	7,439 86
		<u>\$14,915 99</u>
	15, Tax bills unpaid, 1891,	\$483 91
	15, Tax bills unpaid, 1892,	3,586 64
	15, Cash on hand,	2,495 39
		<u>\$6,565 94</u>
Balance in treasury Feb. 15, 1893,		<u>\$21,481 93</u>

Respectfully submitted,

C. W DODGE, Treasurer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for 1892 :

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE OF BIRTH.
		1889
Albert Frank Helmar Ploetz,	Robert and Anna (Widemann) Ploetz	Aug. 29
		1891
Emma Mary Carrie Ploetz,	" " "	Feb. 4
Josephine LaCross,	Joseph and Mary (Kirby) LaCross,	Dec. 3
		1892
Lucy Lillian Hunter,	Walter A. and Jennie Frances (Davis) Hunter,	Jan. 22
Charles Eugene Taylor,	George M. and Anna (Hammond) Taylor,	Feb. 29
Belle Augusta Fay,	George A. and S. Maud (Demond) Fay,	Apr. 1
Esther Jane Wheeler,	H. Edward and Della N. (Putnam) Wheeler,	Apr. 11
Pearl Brodie McKay,	Thomas and Lottie (Brodie) McKay,	May 23
Ralph William Temple,	Wm. C. and Ollie M. (Barnes) Temple,	June 19
Mary Adaline Pultz,	Elmer and Florence M. (Lamb) Pultz,	June 29
Margaret Moore,	John F. and Margaret (Sullivan) Moore,	July 16
Nellie Jane Butler,	Charles H. and Lillah J. (Moore) Butler,	July 18
Charlotte Barker Munroe,	Charles E. and Louise (Barker) Munroe,	July 23
Grace Lillian Smith,	Dennis A. and Lydia G. (Miles) Smith,	July 27
Clara Wilhelmina Albertine Ploetz,	Robert and Anna (Widemann) Ploetz,	Aug 22

Charles Sharon,	Albert and Mary (Van Sleet) Sharon,	Aug. 28
Anna Welsh,	John J. and Margaret L. (Donnelly) Welsh,	Aug. 29
Isabel Mitchell Prescott,	Edwin S. and Abbie R. (Hunter) Prescott,	Sept. 11
Charles Irving Hunt.	Wm. J. and Ida L. (Foster) Hunt,	Oct. 20
Everet Ellsworth Winch,	Samuel E. and Cyrene L. (Flint) Winch,	Oct. 25
Eva May Lawless,	John T. and Emma M. (Huse) Lawless,	Nov. 19
Harold Elma Handy,	George F. and Addie R. (Baker) Handy,	Nov. 24
Edna Elizabeth Chickering,	Anelious O. and Minnie C. (Cummings) Chickering,	Nov. 29
Hazel May Townsend,	Benjamin F. and Isabel (King) Townsend,	Dec. 11

MARRIAGES.

1892.

Feb.	4,	Arthur J. Vaughan and Clara A. Davis, both of Worcester.
April	30,	Joseph Deviow and Ida Cota, both of Rutland.
July	24,	Norman Dukeshire and Sarah Mailing, both of Rutland.
Sept.	10.	Joseph Tatro, of Worcester, and Annie M. Foster, of Rutland.
Aug.	17,	Chas. H. Glasheen, of Petersham, and Cora A. Hurd of Rutland
Oct.	4,	George Albert Lawless and Bertha Luce, both of Rutland.
Oct.	24,	Chas. E. Moorhouse, of Milford, and Jessie B. Healey, of Rutland.
Oct.	25,	James Waterwith and Mary B. Pringent, both of Rutland.

DEATHS.

DATE,	NAMES.	AGE	CAUSE OF DEATH.
1892.		yrs. mo. ds.	
Jan.	5, Mrs. Fidelia (Holden) Peirce,	62 2 27	LaGrippe.
	15, Mrs. Mary (McDon- ough) Conlin,	68	LaGrippe and Pneumonia.
	19, Daniel Browning Reed,	74 5	Paralysis.
Feb.	9, Barzilia Martin Sawyer,	85 1 29	Old Age.
	14, Mrs Ellen Maria (Case) Stearns,	48 2 17	Pneumonia.

Feb.	29,	Mrs Alice A. (Cum- mings) Chickering,	23	21	Consumption.
March	4,	Otis Nathaniel Chick- ering,	52		Consumption.
	29,	James O'Herron,	59		Phthisis.
April	3,	Jonas Elijah Howe,	77	5 20	Heart Failure.
May	7,	Albert Emerson Brown,	37	8	Railroad Accident.
	9,	Josiah Clarke Meade,	72	3	General Debility.
	17,	Mrs. Sarah Roper Foster,	81	10 18	Paralysis.
	18,	Albert Alonzo Reid,	34	7 8	Pulmonary Consumption.
June	10,	Asa Lakin,	92		Old age.
June	10,	Henry Clinton Bliss,	51	14	Traumatic inj'ry of neck and head.
	24,	Joseph Paguin.	59		Tuberculosis Pulmonalis.
July	2,	Charles Hooker,	74	9 27	LaGrippe and Tuberculosis.
	5,	Mrs. Sally S. Fletcher,	83	1 21	Chronic Gastritis.
Oct.	27,	Cornelius Francis Leary,	23	5 3	Typhoid Fever.
Nov.	1,	Giles Frank Putney,	67	2	Cancer.
Nov.	30,	Marsilva Bartlett,	73	6 16	Paralysis.
Dec.	22,	Mrs. Mary B. Fair- bank,	77	10 5	Paralysis.
Dec.	26,	Rufus Aaron Sawyer,	61	1 27	Pneumonia.
	28,	Charles Sharon,		4	Tonsillitis.

The following named persons, former residents of Rutland, were brought here and buried the past year :

Joseph Davis, Irving Howe, Abial G. Thomas, Mrs. Roxa Crawford, Mrs. Roxa Brown, Mrs. Martha A. Moulton, Mrs. Cora Converse, A. B. Woodbury and a child of J. W. Strong.

The number of Dogs licensed in 1892, was

100 Male Dogs, @ \$2.00,	\$200 00
1 Female Dog, @ \$5.00,	5 00
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Fees for registration,	\$205 00
	20 20
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Paid to County Treasurer,	\$184 80

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, Town Clerk.

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1893.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

As Superintendent of the Highways of the Town of Rutland, I have expended the following amount for which I have received orders on the Treasurer.

Amount worked out in the following months.

WORKED.	ORDERS.	AMOUNT.
March,	April 9,	\$ 13 50
April,	May 7,	380 55
May,	June 4,	387 86
June,	July 2,	572 83
July,	August 6,	79 65
August,	September 3,	196 49

EXTRA.

September,	October 1,	185 00
October and Nov.,	December 3.	30 30
Charles Butler,		12 00
Fred Wellington,		6 75
T. S. Heald,		2 10
L Brigham,		10 70
Warren Wales,		6 00
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		\$1,883 73

NEW BRIDGE.

Chas. Baker, for lumber,	\$40 68
Mr. Wilson, for plank,	20 00
Mr. Henderson, for labor,	11 25
Mr. Loughman, for irons,	5 00
Teaming and labor,	36 54
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	\$113 47

NEW PLANKING WELLINGTON BRIDGE.

Mr. Wilson, for plank,	\$18 92
Teaming and labor,	8 00
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	\$26 92

NUMBER OF TOOLS ON HAND.

1 Plow,	3 Picks,
2 Hand Scraper,	5 Hoes,
2 Bush Scrapers,	1 Bog Hook,
5 Spades,	1 Hook,
2 Shovels,	1 Bush Scythe,
1 Fork,	1 Steel Bar,
2 Rakes,	1 Wrench,
2 Road Machines.	

H. A. KENNEN, Supt. of Roads.

Rutland, Feb. 14, 1893.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

During the year now closing there have been no new books added to the Library, but the small balance of funds now in the treasury together with other money to be received, will, it is to be expected provide for fresh books during the year ensuing.

The Librarian has shown great fidelity and patience in the discharge of the duties of her office at all hours of the day, but in accordance with the usage of other public libraries, the Committee would recommend that the hours for drawing books the coming year be limited to from 2 to 9 P. M.

The number of books taken from the Library by readers during the year is 2094.

One book has been lost.

Donations of the following books have been made during the year:

Souvenir 24, National Encampment of G. A. R. at Boston
1890.

Report of State Library of 1891.

9. Annual report of Agricultural Experiment Station.

15. Report of the Board of Education, '90 and '91.

The feast of the Virgins and other Poems, by H. L. Gorden.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

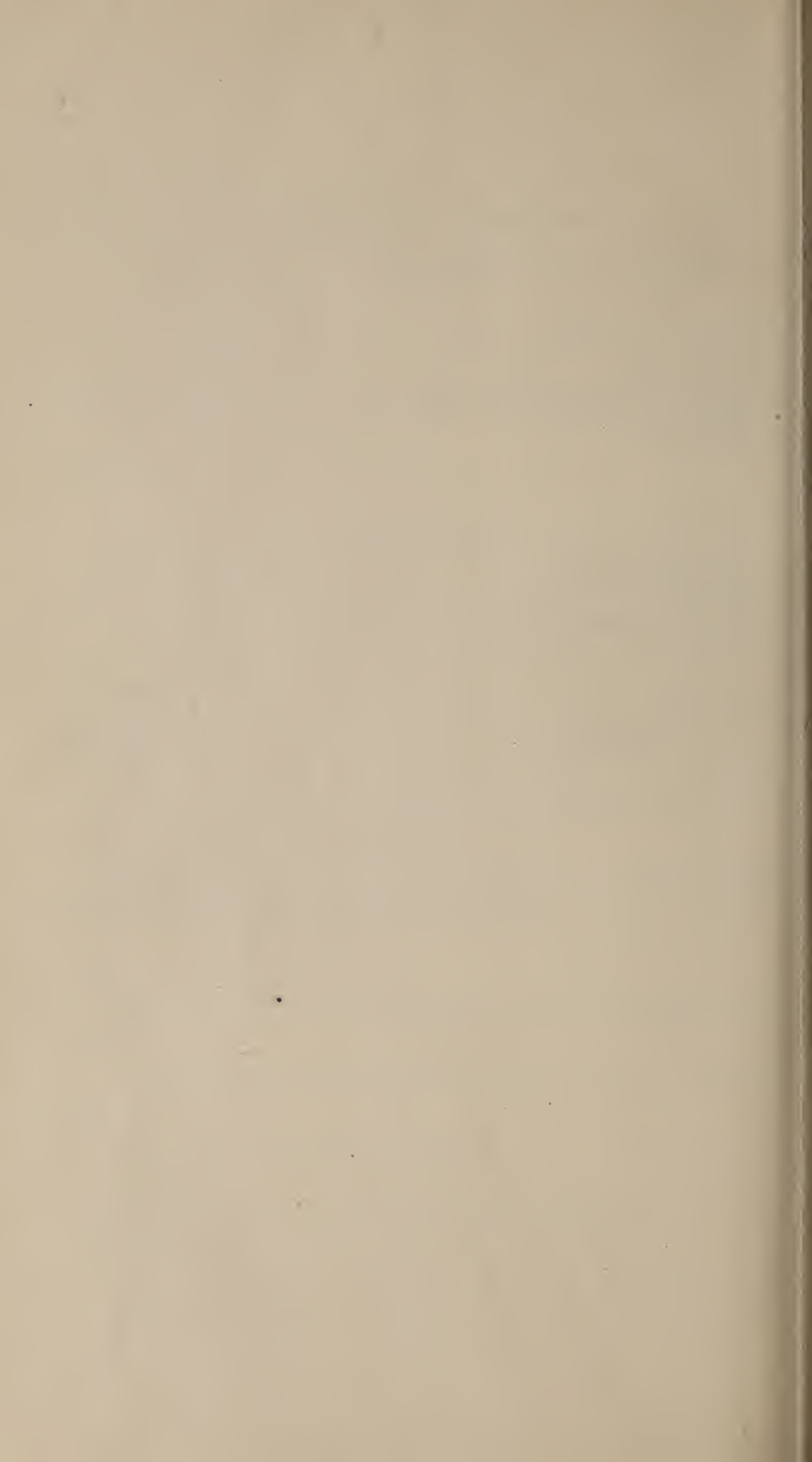
Balance of last year,	\$23 98	
Appropriation,	65 43	
Received for Catalogues and Fines,	7 13	
Money given,	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$97 79

EXPENDITURES.

Salary of Librarian,	\$52 00	
Paid J. S. Wesby, for binding books,	11 50	
Express on books and incidentals,	1 30	
	<hr/>	\$64 80
Balance,		<hr/> \$32 99

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. SARAH MUNROE, } Trustees of
 MRS. H. R. SPAULDING, } Rutland
 Free Library.



REPORT OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
FOR THE YEAR 1892.

FELLOW CITIZENS:

In accordance with the usual custom, your Committee would submit to you their annual report.

NUMBER OF SCHOOLS.

As last year, we have been able to maintain twenty-eight weeks of school.

There were eight schools kept during the spring term, and seven during the winter term.

CONSOLIDATIONS.

No. 2 and 3 were consolidated with No. 4 and No. 9 with the Centre through the year, and No. 6 with No. 7 in the winter.

Under this consolidation pupils were transported from No.s 2 and 3 to No. 4; from No. 6 to No. 7 and from No. 9 to the centre, at a much less cost than there would have been if schools had been kept in the other school-houses, and to the greater advantage of the pupils. These consolidations have, in the main, given general satisfaction; and your Committee think have been to the advantage of the schools thus consolidated.

CONDITION OF SCHOOLS.

On the whole, we believe that the schools have been successful during the year, and have been fully up to the average of past years. While not all of them have been just what your Committee have desired, still the poorest of them have by no means been failures.

All the teachers have been faithful, and have endeavored to advance the interest of their schools. If any of them have failed of the success desired, it has been mostly from inexperience.

Two or three of the schools were badly broken up the last two weeks, owing to sickness.

The securing of good teachers for a small town, with the wages we can afford to pay, is not as easy a matter as some people seem to imagine. We do not claim to be infallible in the selection of teachers. Sometimes the teacher of experience will not give the satisfaction expected, while the teacher of no experience will exceed our expectations.

LENGTH OF TERMS.

We have divided the Terms as wisely as we know how; but there is of necessity a long term in the winter, which makes it hard for the scholars as well as teacher. While all, we trust, appreciate the four weeks added to our school year; yet we feel that a more equal division of terms, and more satisfactory results would be gained by having three terms of ten weeks each, with a vacation between.

Good teachers could then be retained more readily, while now during the long vacation they go to other places; while the pupils would not become as tired as now during the long term. Your Committee would therefore respectfully recommend that the additional appropriation necessary for the two weeks more of school in addition to what we already have, be made by you, at the annual meeting.

There are few towns in the commonwealth that have less than thirty weeks of school.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

There has been a Grammar school maintained during the year; the spring term being taught by the same teacher as several terms previously. And this winter your Committee consider themselves fortunate in having secured the services of a teacher, who gave such good satisfaction.

If those who are opposed to the keeping of such a school had visited it during the term and seen the number of pupils present, and the good work being done by them, we think it would have removed a great amount of their opposition. Fully one-fourth of all the scholars in town attended this school, during the winter term, and one-sixth during the spring term; and if a small part of them had gone out of town for equal advantages, it would have taken much more money from town than the cost of the school.

We deem it a wise expenditure of money and think the school has been appreciated by those attending it.

TRUANCY.

The services of the truant officer have been needed several times, to compel the attendance at school of children of school age. In every instance this has been, not as much from the unwillingness of the child to attend school, as from the fault of the parents or guardian in neglecting to send.

Although parents may like to have the help of their boys at home, yet they ought to recognize that they owe their children the opportunity to obtain at least a common school education; and also realize that the law of the state requires their attendance at school a certain number of weeks, which is large enough to nearly cover our school term.

This is one of the Committee's most unpleasant tasks, but as it is required of us we have tried to do our duty without partiality.

REPAIRS.

Very little has been done the past year in the way of repairs upon the school-houses, in fact, only what we could not get along without doing.

There will of necessity need to be considerable more expended the coming year.

Some of the houses need re-painting on the outside, and painting, papering, etc., within.

Also some of the Text-books should be exchanged for later and better ones.

MEMORIAL AND COLUMBUS DAYS.

The day before Memorial, was observed in our schools according to the law of the Commonwealth, and also the children assisted in the public celebration on that day.

Columbus Day was also observed by the children taking part in public exercises at the Church.

All those who were privileged to hear them on those occasions, we think appreciated their efforts; and were surprised at the readiness with which they carried their parts, with so short a time for preparation.

We think public exercises of this kind are something that the school children should be encouraged in, as it gives them confidence, and may be of great use to them in after life.

DUTIES OF PARENTS.

We regret to see such an apparent indifference on the part of so many parents in regard to the welfare of their children in the schools; as is shown by the lack of parents' names as visitors in many of the school registers

When the children see that their parents are interested in their progress, by visiting the school, if possible, and by upholding the teacher in all proper methods; then the success of the school is usually assured from the beginning; while however good the teacher,

if the parent upholds the child in all his or her likes or dislikes in regard to the school, the teacher can not do his best work there.

If you are interested for the good of your child, never uphold him in anything he may report which is detrimental to the school or teacher, but go yourself and ascertain the true facts in the case, before condemning the teacher.

The schools of Rutland are harmed as much from, this unwise practice as from any other one thing.

Finally, we wish to call upon all citizens, and especially the Voters of the Town, to uphold our Public Schools; and whatever you may be called upon to vote in regard to them, see to it that it is a forward movement.

While some may wish to lessen the appropriation for them, remember that it is our most important institution; and that whatever the youth of our Town are deprived of, in the way of an education, that we can do and that rightfully belongs to them, then we are doing them an injury that is not easily repaired.

Upon the Public Schools of the land depends, in a great measure, the future, whether it be moral and progressive, or otherwise, not only of the small towns, but of the state and nation.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Unexpended balance of 1891,	\$30 65	
Appropriations of 1892.		
Dog Fund,	100 00	
Conveyance of pupils,	775 00	
Salaries and supplies,	1,200 00	
State School Fund,	387 20	
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Total,		\$2,492 85

EXPENDITURES.

Wages of teachers,	\$1,586 65	
Conveyance of pupils,	361 24	
Books and supplies,	218 25	
Fuel,	80 50	
Janitors,	60 27	
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Total		\$2,306 91
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Balance unexpended,		\$185 94

CONTINGENT.

Repairs and furnishings, for school-houses,	\$44 33
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ROLL OF HONOR.

The following is a list of those scholars who have been neither absent nor tardy during one or more terms of school.

The list is compiled on a basis of excusing one day's non-attendance and one tardy mark. A star indicates those so excused.

Cyrus Bryant,
Edgar Fay,
Everett Bryant,
Clarence Prescott,
Jennie Browning,
Ethel Wheeler,
*Josie Bryant,
*Emma Taylor,
*Harry Wilson,
Ellis Wilson,
*Willie Wilson,

May Stearns,
Bertha Stearns,
Frank Denny,
*George Spooner,
*Howard Davis,
Eddie Londergan,
*Enola Dudley,
*Ara Ruiter,
Eddie Hunt,
Freddie Hunt,
*Anna McGann.

Sarah Bemis,
Mary Nihin,
Lucy J. Parker,
Belle Baker,
Lottie Baker,
Valentine Potter,
Ida Baker,
*Herbert Heald,
Roland Potter,
*Walter Stone,
*George Bemis,

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Mercie E. Upham,
Mabel E. Heald,
Flora Sanderson,
Arthur Heald,
*Leroy S. Putnam,
*A. Clifford Wheeler,
Otto L. Pultz,
*Wesley B. Putnam,

Number of minors in town May 1, 1892, between 5 and 15 years of age, 147. Between 8 and 14 years of age 85.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. HUNTER,	} School Committee	
W. C. TEMPLE,		of
C. R. BARTLETT,		Rutland.

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Third Annual Report

OF THE

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OF THE TOWNS OF

**PRINCETON, PAXTON, HOLDEN, OAKHAM,
WESTMINSTER and HUBBARDSTON,**

FOR THE

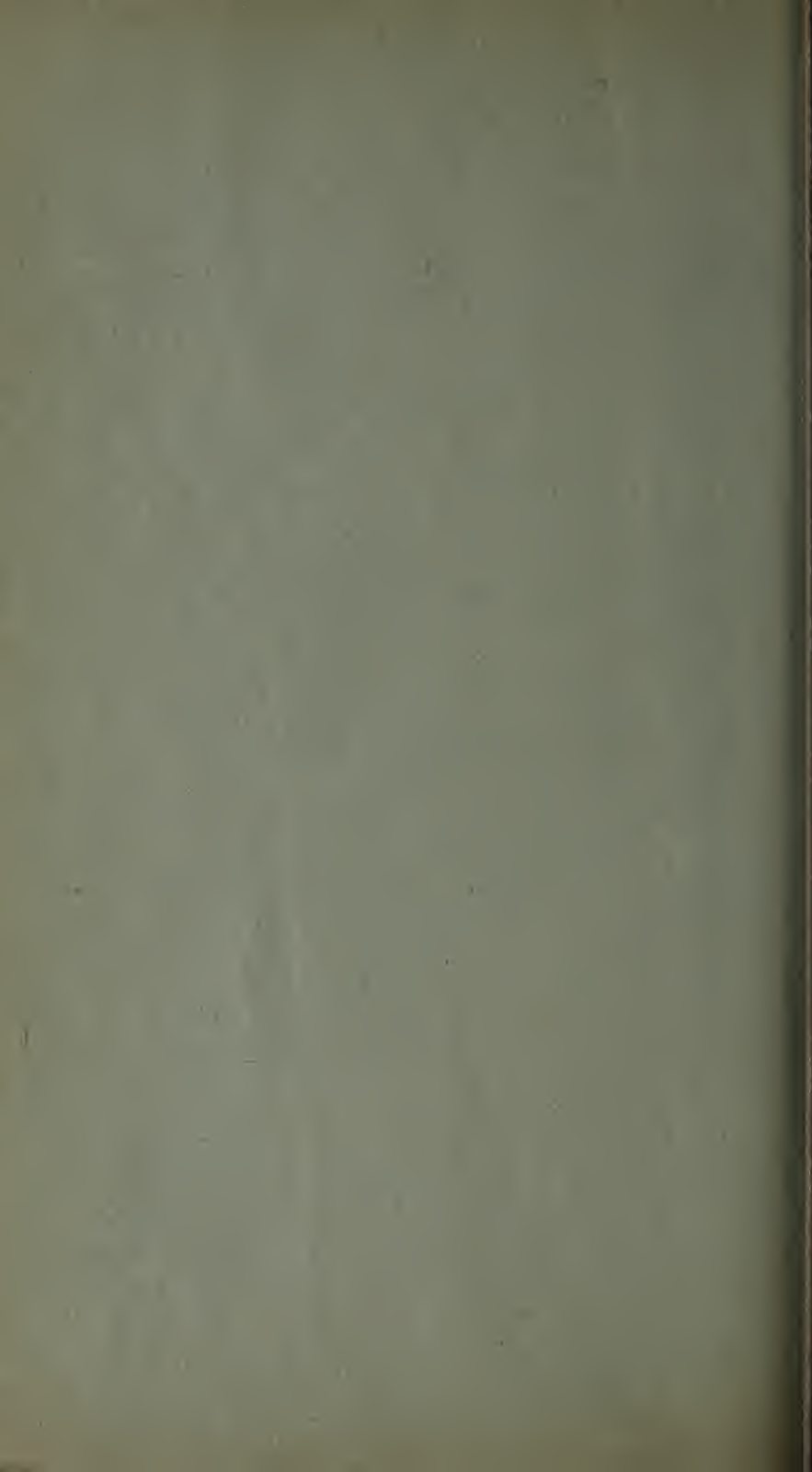
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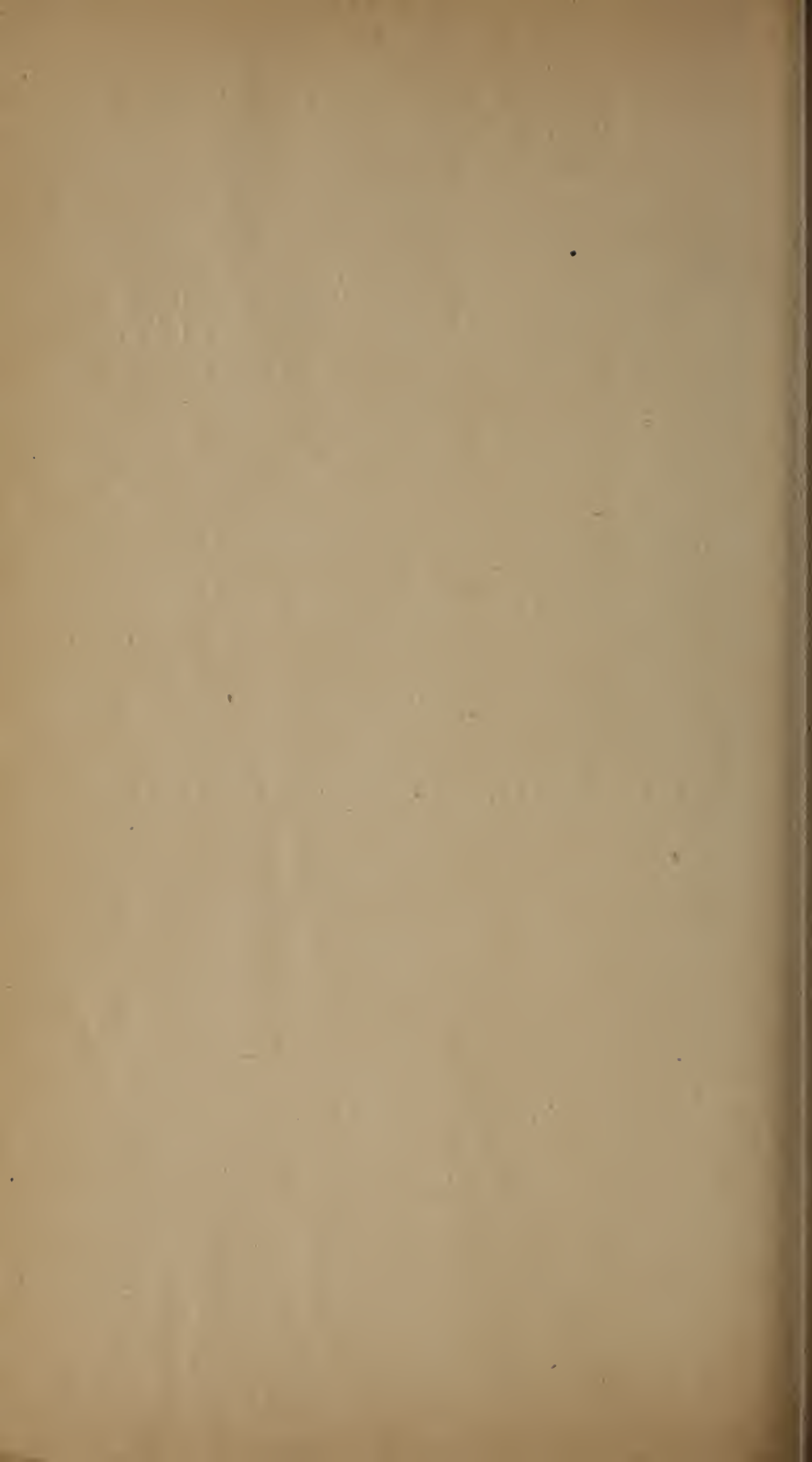
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THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

POOR FARM ASSOCIATION,

For the Year Ending March 31st, 1893.

To the Citizens of Princeton, Paxton, Oakham, Holden, Westminster, and Hubbardston:

The Board of Management respectfully submits the following report for the third year of the Association.

INMATES SUPPORTED DURING THE YEAR.

Name.	Settlement.	Age.	Days Supported.	
Annie Gregory,	Princeton,	39	341	
Henry R. Goodwin,	"	72	61	
				402
Hattie Allen,*	Paxton,	70	337	
Albert Woodis,	"	72	122	
				459
George Ash,	Oakham,	69	365	
Eunice Walker,	"	67	365	
				730
Martha Parker,	Holden,	54	365	
Lizzie Kenney,	"	35	365	
Nahum L. Newton,	"	61	365	
Bridget Cannon,	"	70	354	
Patrick Doyle,	"	78	151	
				1600

*Deceased.

Lawrence Cronin, Westminster,	84	365
Maggie Cronin, "	45	365
Mary Cutting, "	66	365
Adeline Eager, "	43	365
William Baker, "	78	365
Asahel P. Twiss,* "	80	63

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Nancy Boynton, Hubbardston,	54	365
David Rice, "	74	365
Charles Clark, "	17	365
Moses Clark, "	15	365
Henry Clark, "	13	365
George Clark, "	9	335
John Wilson, "	56	341
Emmons Smith, "	82	238
Elbridge G. Thatcher, "	75	176

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Making a total of 7,994 days, or 1,142 weeks.

Whole number of inmates, 26.

Whole number of inmates remaining, 20.

Average weekly number $21\frac{2}{5}$.

RECEIPTS.

Milk	*\$836.85
Straw	10.87
Stock	59.00
Potatoes and vegetables	25.45
Seating chairs	11.00

\$943.17

*Deceased.

EXPENSES.

Warden's salary	\$425.00	
Labor.. . . .	384.09	
Groceries	502.74	
Grain	493.91	
Meat	184.33	
Bread, crackers	79.37	
Dry goods	102.25	
Boots, shoes	34.10	
Tea, coffee	25.49	
Harness	7.62	
Fish	33.04	
Clothing	79.90	
Medicines	17.45	
Hardware, stoves	29.01	
Smithing, repairs	20.93	
Tools, repairs	23.30	
Furniture, bedding	120.01	
Butter	10.93	
Hay	18.88	
Printing, advertising	25.60	
Fertilizer	75.00	
Crockery	8.12	
Whitening, lime	13.35	
Stock	57.00	
Dr. Stickney's bill	33.80	
Wood	39.15	
Sundries	47 56	
		\$2,890.93
Deduct Receipts		943.17
		<u>\$1,947.76</u>
Printing reports, 1893		18.50
Rent of Farm		175.00
Rent of personal property at $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent		90.74
Total cost		<u>\$2,232.00</u>

Dividing this by the whole number of weeks (1,142) gives
\$1.954+ expense per week.

The expense to each town is as follows :

Princetown	\$112.25
Paxton	128.15
Oakham	203.82
Holden	446.75
Westminster	527.14
Hubbardston	813.89

The time for which the Association was organized has now expired. For two years, it was composed of the towns of Princeton, Paxton, Holden, and Hubbardston. The towns of Oakham and Westminster joined it at the beginning of the third year. The following gives the number of inmates, etc., for each year.

	Whole Number.	Average Number per Week.	Whole Number of Weeks.	Cost per Week.
First year,	12	$7\frac{7}{26}$	377 $\frac{1}{2}$	\$2.875
Second year,	16	$11\frac{7}{26}$	586	$2.24\frac{33}{86}$
Third year.	26	$21\frac{25}{26}$	1142	1.959+

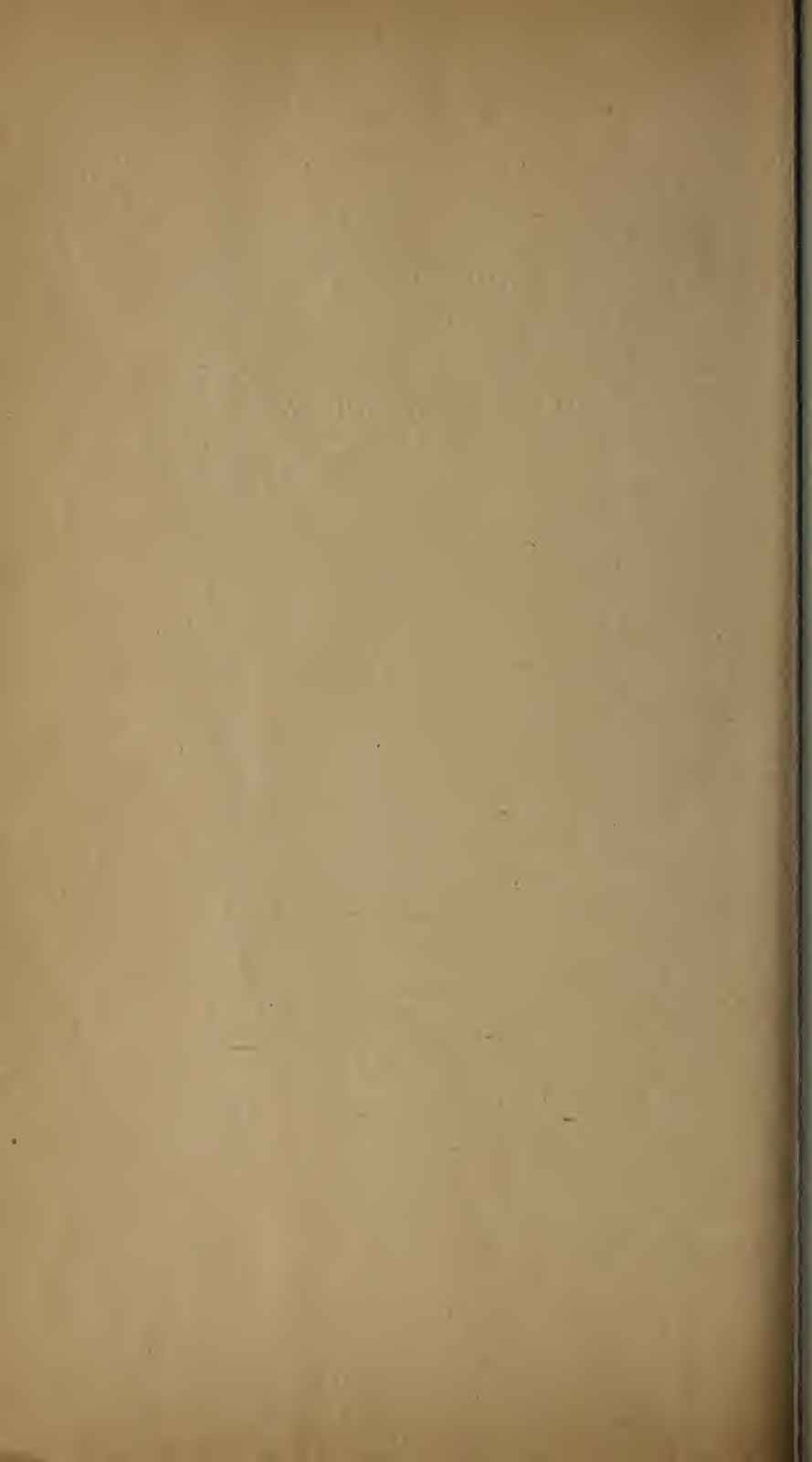
Whole number of inmates, thirty-one ; number of deaths during three years, five.

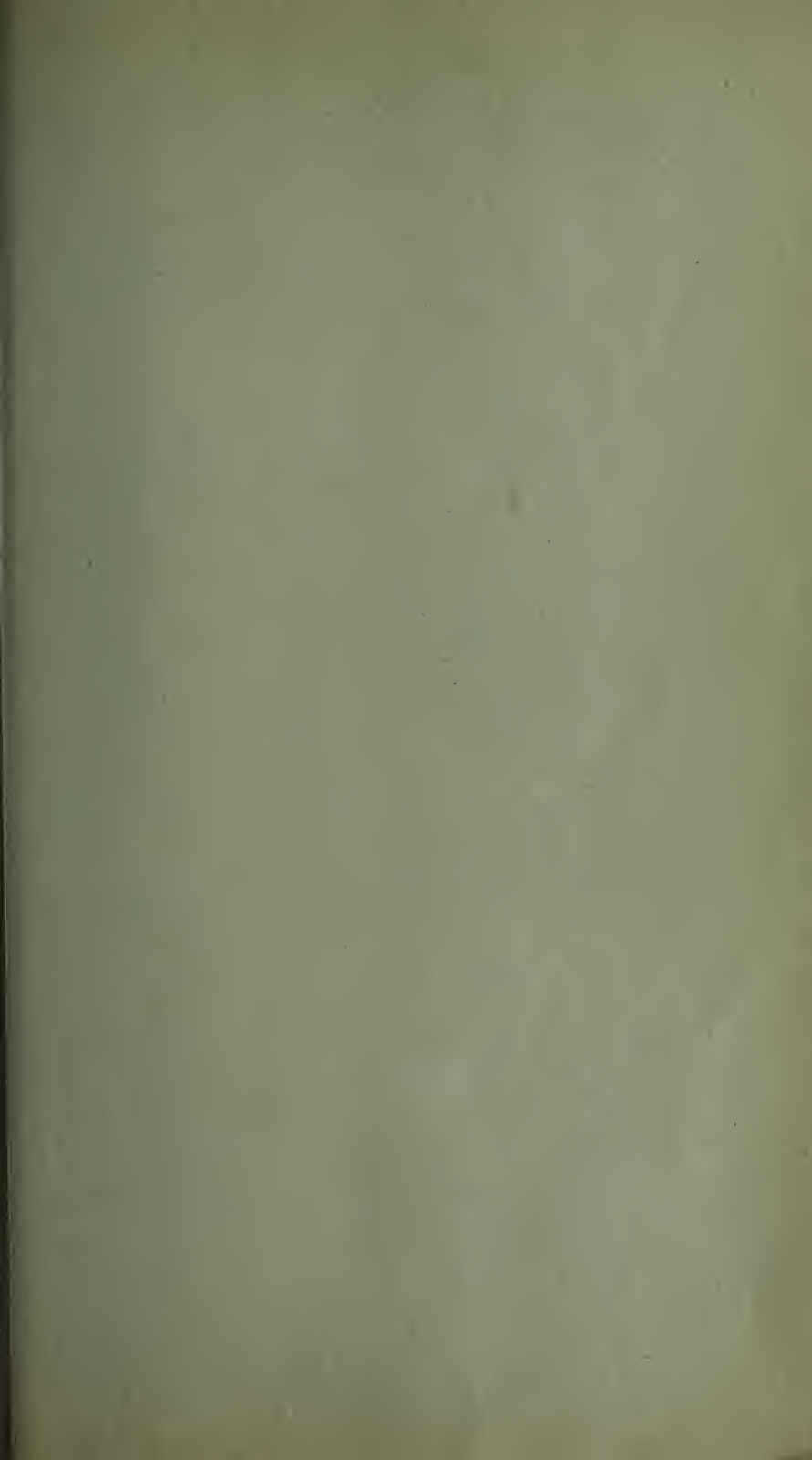
A comparison of the several reports of the different towns for the years proceeding the organization of this association will show it to be economical for the towns. And a personal knowledge of the care given to the inmates in the several almshouses of the towns and in the Association's almshouse will be favorable to the latter. Thus the two ends of this charity, economy and a good home, have been obtained. It is probable that with the present accommodations of the Holden plant an increase in the number of towns would be inadvisable.

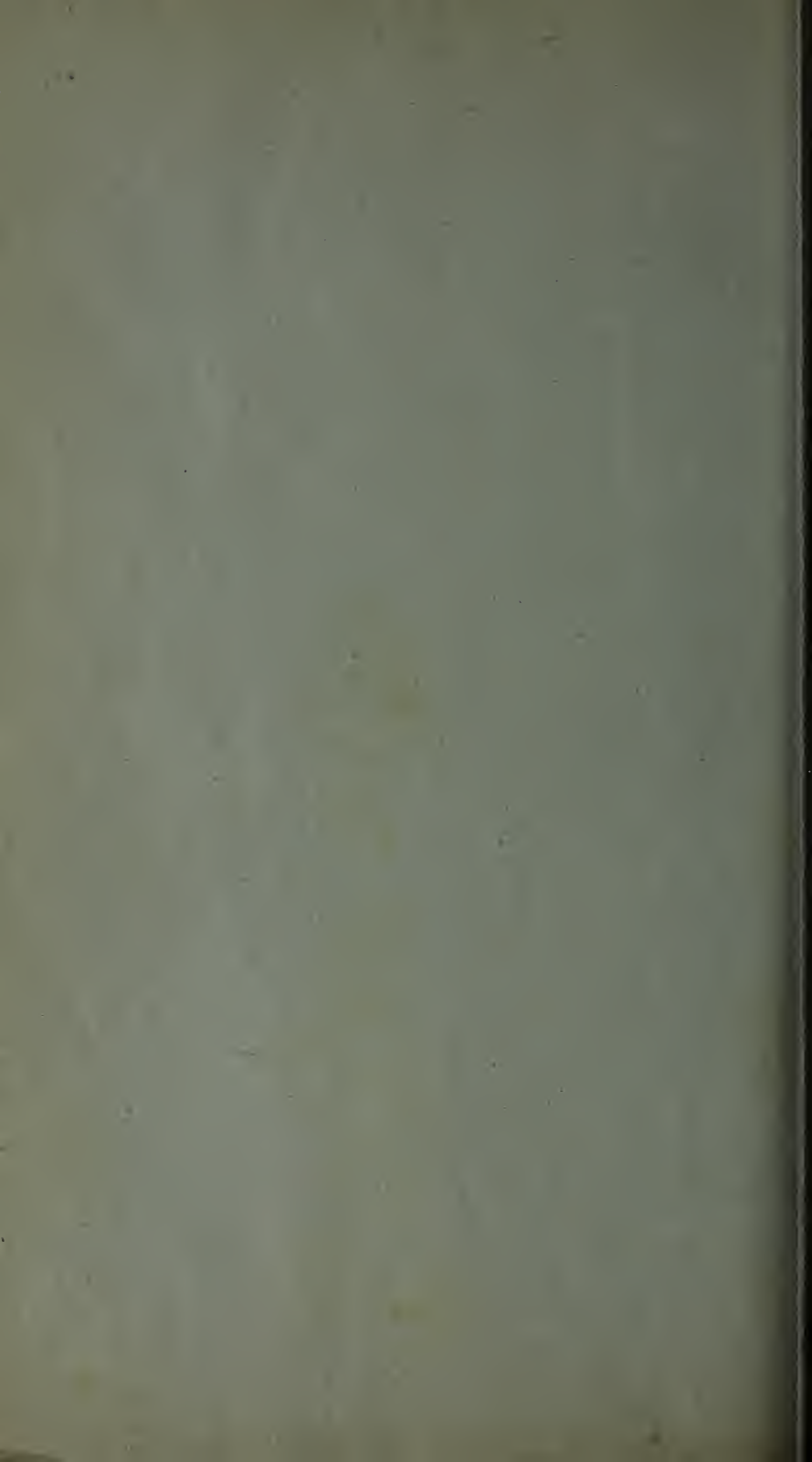
A new association for five years has been organized by the towns of Paxton, Oakham, Rutland, Westminster, Holden, and Hubbardston.

I. F. THOMPSON, Princeton,
H. H. PIKE, Paxton,
JESSE ALLEN, Oakham,
F. T. HOLT, Holden,
HOBART RAYMOND, Westminster,
HENRY A. FARWELL, Hubbardston,

Board of Management.









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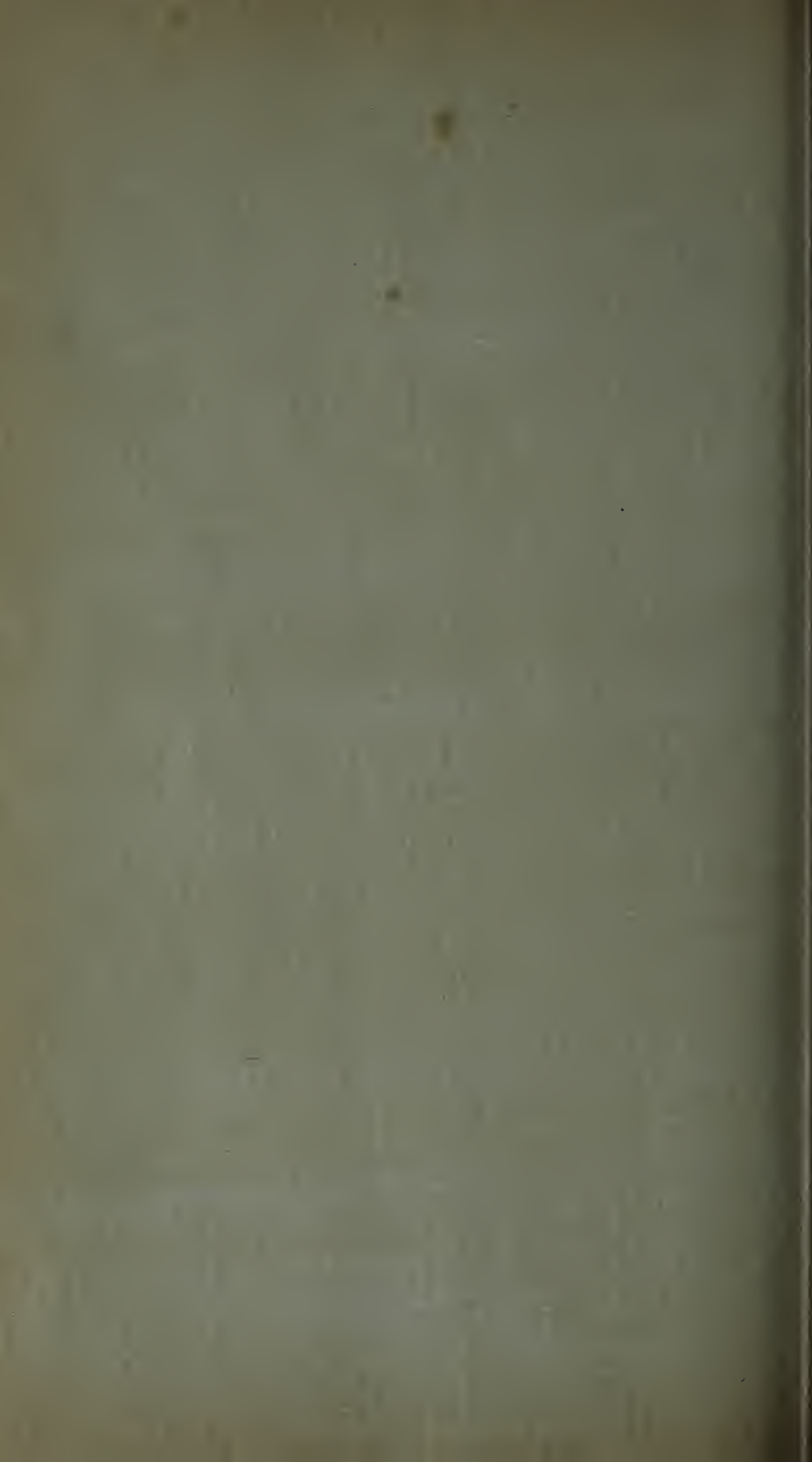
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TOWN OFFICERS.

MODERATOR.

CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

TOWN CLERK.

GEORGE A. PUTNAM.

SELECTMEN.

M. R. MOULTON,

F. G. BARTLETT,

T. SIBLEY HEALD.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

HENRY A. KENNEN, GEORGE W. COWDEN, HENRY CONVERSE.

ASSESSORS.

GEORGE S. PUTNAM,

FRED S. HUNT,

IRA G. DUDLEY.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

WALTER A. HUNTER, WM. C. TEMPLE, FRANKLIN HATHAWAY.

SEXTON.

ROLAND C. PRESCOTT.

LIBRARIAN.

Mrs. FREEMAN R. FOSTER.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR,

CHESTER W. DODGE.

ROAD COMMISSIONER.

HENRY A. KENNEN.

CONSTABLES.

GEO. S. PUTNAM, JOSEPH M. MOULTON, FRED B. STEARNS,

WALTER A. HUNTER,

J. WARREN MOULTON.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

WM. C. TEMPLE, Mrs. GEO. B. MUNROE, Mrs. L. Q. SPAULDING.

MEASURERS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER.

GEORGE A. PUTNAM.

JOSEPH W. O'HERRON,

J. M. MOULTON,

ADDISON CHILDS.

FENCE VIEWERS.

GEO. A. PUTNAM,

DANIEL DEMOND,

A. B. FISHER.

FIELD DRIVER.

DENNIS O'HERRON.

POUND KEEPER.

GEORGE W. HUDSON.

AUDITOR.

CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

WARRANT

FOR

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 5TH, 1894.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER, SS. TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN
OF RUTLAND:

Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Rutland, on Monday the fifth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To see if the Town will accept of the reports of the Town Officers for the past year or act thereon.
4. To see what sums of money the Town will raise for the support of the Public Schools; for repairs on the Highways; for the support of the poor; for Contingent Expenses, paying Debts and appropriate the same.
5. To see if the Treasurer shall be collector of Taxes, and determine the salary of the Collector and Treasurer.

6. To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.

7. To see if the Town will accept of the list of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

8. To see if the Town will instruct their Assessors to abate any Taxes in the hands of their Collector.

9. To see if the Town will authorize their Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town with the approval of the Selectmen.

10. To vote by ballot Yes or No to the question, Shall License be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Town.

11. To see if the Town will vote to build a new Town Hall, or act thereon, and appropriate money for the same.

12. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee to provide transportation for children of school age to and from school-houses remote from their homes and make appropriations to carry the same into effect.

13. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Town road leading from H. A. Kennen's to a point within 300 feet of the barn or carriage house of John W. Adams, or act thereon.

14. To see what action the Town will take in regard to furnishing accommodation for impounding stray cattle or act anything relating to the same.

15. To see if the Town will vote to lay aside a certain sum of money each year for a term of years as a sinking fund to pay up existing indebtedness of the Town, or act thereon.

16. To see if the Town will vote to fix up a place under the Town Hall for the ladder truck and other fire apparatus and designate what party shall have charge of the same, or act anything thereon.

17. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new Road Machine or act thereon.

18. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote whereby they voted to place the Meade fund in the hands of a Trustee or Agent as a nucleus for a new Town Hall fund, or do, or act anything thereon.

19. To see if the Town will vote to prohibit according to law the catching of fish through the ice for the term of three years, or act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to the vote of said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this sixteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four.

M. R. MOULTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

POOR FARM ASSOCIATION,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1894.

To the citizens of Holden, Hubbardston, Oakham, Paxton, Rutland and Westminster :

By the new By-Laws of the Association, "the annual report shall be made the first day of February, every year." Hence we submit the following for the ten months now closed :

INMATES SUPPORTED DURING A PART OR ALL OF THE TIME.

Name.	Settlement.	When Admitted.	Age.	Days supported
Martha Parker,	Holden	April 1, 1890,	55	306
Patrick Doyle,	"	Nov. 1, 1892,	79	306
Lizzie Kenney,	"	April 1 1890,	37	306
Nahum S. Newton,	"	Dec. 24, 1891,	63	306
Mrs. M. Kennan,	"	April 11, 1892,	95	306
Peter King,	"	April 26, 1893,	76	280
				—1810
Nancy Boynton,	Hubbardston,	April 1, 1890,	55	306
David Rice,	"	April 1, 1891,	75	306
Charles Clark,	"	May 26, 1891,	18	306
Moses Clark,	"	May 26, 1891,	16	306
Henry Clark,	"	May 26, 1891,	14	38
Emmons Smith,	"	Aug. 5, 1892,	83	306
Elbridge G. Thatcher,	"	Oct. 6, 1892,	76	306
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Eunice Walker,	Oakham,	April 1, 1892,	68	306
George Ash,	"	April 1, 1892,	71	306
Moses Bartlett,	"	April 3, 1893,	86	272
Henry Parker,	"	Oct. 2, 1893,	32	43
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Albert Woodis,	Paxton,	Nov. 29, 1892,	73	54—54
Moses Clark,	Rutland,	April 1, 1893,	83	91
Louisa Smith,	"	April 1, 1893,	63	208
Rosa Boen	"	July 22, 1893,	55	203
Lucy Sawyer,	"	June 5, 1893,	86	176
Austin Preston,	"	Jan. 1, 1894,	52	30
				708
Lawrence Cronin,	Westminster,	April 1, 1892,	84	149
Maggie Cronin,	"	April 1, 1892,	47	306
Mary Cutting,	"	April 1, 1892,	68	306
Adaline Eager,	"	April 1, 1892,	52	306
William Parker,	"	April 1, 1892,	79	306
Frank Lavine,	"	Jan. 6, 1894,	15	22
Jos. Brown,	"	Jan. 6, 1894,	38	1
				1396

Whole number of inmates 30.

Whole number of inmates remaining 25.

Total number of days 6,769, or 967 weeks.

Average weekly number $22\frac{37}{306}$.

Nahum S. Newton and Lawrence Cronin, are veterans, and have consented to receive their military support at the almshouse, although they might insist upon being boarded elsewhere,

INMATES DECEASED DURING YEAR.

Names.	Time of Decease	Disease.
Albert Woodis,	May 24, 1893,	Pneumonia
Moses Clark, of Rutland,	July 1, 1893,	La Grippe
Lawrence Cronin,	Aug. 27, 1893,	Heart Failure
Lucy Sawyer,	Dec. 18, 1893,	La Grippe
Moses Bartlett,	Jan. 1, 1894,	Pneumonia

While the number of deaths has been large, it has been with those weighted by the debility and weakness incident to old age, and not from lack of proper food, or from want of proper nursing.

The increase in the number of inmates has been less than was expected at the beginning of the year, and is smaller than might be expected from the general condition of the country; this indicates that actual poverty has increased but little, if any, in the agricultural towns.

RECEIPTS.

Milk, 2861 cans,	\$744 48
Calves,	36 27
Stock,	55 00
Sundries,	5 00

 \$840 85

The demand for milk has been less than the farm could supply, and less stock has been kept on that account. This is contrary to our past experience and to our expectation when the Holden almshouse was rented by the Association.

EXPENSES.

Warden's and Matron's salary,	\$458 06
Out of door labor,	237 50
In door labor,	132 00
Groceries,	404 89
Grain,	426 25
Meat,	150 22
Repairs to house,	142 85
Ice,	5 40
Insurance,	54 00
Advertising and printing,	7 35
Dr. C. W. Stickney's bill,	47 25
Dr. J. S. Ames' bill,	30 00
Mowing machine,	48 00
Wood,	23 50
Manure,	6 00
Fish,	39 47
Clothing,	72 97
Smithing and repairs of tools,	29 56
Fertilizer,	148 80
Crockery,	13 90
Stock,	173 00
Sundries,	81 18
Rent of farm,	166 67
Rent of personal property,	100 83

 Total expense, \$2,999 65

Deducting sales, 840 85

 \$2,158 80

Dividing this (\$2,158 80) by the whole number of weeks, (967) gives weekly expense per inmate, \$2.232.

THE EXPENSE TO EACH TOWN IS AS FOLLOWS:

Holden,	\$577 27
Hubbardston,	597 61
Oakham,	295 64
Paxton,	17 23
Rutland,	225 81
Westminster,	445 23
	<hr/> \$2,158 80

The house has been painted and papered and some changes have been made in rooms for the convenience of the family.

The pro rata expense is somewhat larger than last year.

THE FOLLOWING FIGURES FOR EACH YEAR OF THE ASSOCIATION
MAY BE OF INTEREST.

	Whole No. Inmates.	Av'g No. Week.	Whole No. of Weeks,	Cost per Week.
First year	12	$7\frac{7}{8}$	377 $\frac{1}{2}$	2.875
Second year,	16	$11\frac{7}{8}$	586	$2.24\frac{33}{86}$
Third year,	26	$21\frac{5}{8}$	1142	1.959†
Fourth year,	30	$22\frac{37}{86}$	967	2.232†

It will be remembered that there are now six towns in the Association instead of four, as in the first two years.

It is hardly probable that the weekly expense can be much, if at all, reduced in the future. The just and humane spirit of the day is more and more exacting in the management and equipment of all charitable institutions; it insists that they be made homelike, comfortable and comforting. To obtain the best results and not the cheapest results must be our policy.

HENRY A. FARWELL, HUBBARDSTON, Chairman,
 HOBART RAYMOND, WESTMINSTER, Secretary,
 FRED T. HOLT, HOLDEN, Treasurer,
 JESSE ALLEN, OAKHAM,
 FRANK A. PIERCE, PAXTON,
 HENRY A. KENNEN, RUTLAND,

Board of Management.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Town of Rutland voted to join with the Towns of Holden, Hubbardston, Paxton, Oakham and Westminster in the Cooperative care of her Poor, beginning April 1, 1893. The result of this arrangement has been highly satisfactory. Our poor in every instance received good care and at a greatly reduced expense to the Town.

EXPENSES IN DETAIL.

Paid Poor Farm Association,	\$225 81	
A. Hatstatt for C. Bowers	10 00	
H. Converse, “	5 90	
A. Hatstatt “	10 00	
Henry Kennen, labor at farm,	15 50	
Mrs. Henry Kennen, labor at farm,	24 00	
Mrs. Josh Valley, care and board of Miss Sawyer,	49 50	
R, C Prescott, attending Mr. Clark's funeral,	3 00	
James Cross, casket and robe for Mr. Clark,	11 00	
Dr. Chamberlin, examination of paupers before removal to Almshouse,	3 00	
Dr. Chamberlin, for Miss Sawyer,	49 50	
James Cross, undertaker for Miss Sawyer,	14 00	
C. H. Woods, rent for Mrs. Ed Clark,	4 50	
Dr. Chamberlin for Mrs. Ed Clark,	12 00	
H. Converse, groceries for Mrs Ed Clark,	49 79	
Town of Dana, for Hank Martin,	90 02	
Town of Holden, for Rose Roane,	51 20	
Town of Barre, for Mrs. Clark,	14 00	
Henry Converse, for Town Farm,		10 71
39 tramps at 25 cts each,		9 85
Overseer's services,	57 00	
		\$719 28

OLD BILLS.

Town of Phillpston, for Lorenzo B. Chickering,	\$33 70	
Town of Dana, for Hannah Martin,	34 16	
E. R. Wilson, service of horse for two mares,	30 00	
H. Ruiter, balance for labor,	102 30	
Town of Hubbardston, for Edmund Clark,	16 85	
Dr. Palmer for Ed Clark,	8 40	
Dr. Palmer, for Rufus Sawyer,	10 65	
Dr. Palmer for Benj. Leonard,	10 00	
Dr. Chamberlin, for Giles Putney,	6 00	
Dr. Chamberlin, for Rufus Sawyer,	18 00	
Town of Barre, for Hannah Martin,	7 50	
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		\$277 56
Whole Expenses for the past year,	\$996 84	
There will be due from the Town of Bolton for		
C, Bowers,	25 00	
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		\$971 84

Persons wholly or partially supported by the Town.

Moses Clark,	Louisa Smith,
Lucy Sawyer,	Rose Roane,
Austin Preston,	Ed Clark and family,
Mrs. Hannah Martin.	

Average annual expense at the Farm for the	
last five years has been,	\$983 16
Expenses for ten months under the present	
method has been,	225 81
At the same rate ending April 1, 1894,	263 72
Balance in favor of present method,	719 44

RECEIPTS.

Henry Kennen, for Hog,	2 00	
Henry Kennen, for Hay,	25 59	
Dr. Wm. E. Chamberlin, for Hay,	25 00	
D. F. Smith, for hay,	5 40	
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		\$57 99

DUE.

Chas. Spooner, for hay,	15 00	
Steven Parker, 4 pigs,	16 00	
Due from Town of Bolton, for C. Bower,	25 00	
On personal property,	34 00	
		\$90 00

SALE OF FARM.

Having sold the Farm as instructed by the Town.

To John E. O'Leary for the sum of \$2100,	
and have received cash for the same,	800 00
Note and mortgage of	1300 00

Which has been turned over to the Town	
Treasurer	\$2100 00

PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Was sold at auction for the sum of	\$1553 18
There is due on notes and bills,	34 49
Expenses at sale,	67 53
Paid Town Treasurer,	1451 16
	\$1553 18

All of which is respectfully submitted,

HENRY A. KENNEN,	} Overseers.
GEO. W. COWDEN,	
HENRY CONVERSE,	

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

OF THE

Financial Condition of the Town for the year ending Feb. 15, 1894.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer during the past year 321 orders amounting to the sum of \$9,257 32

The appropriations of the Town were as follows :

State Tax,	\$575 00	
County Tax,	396 00	
Town Grant,	8,500 00	
Overlays,	53 71	
Total Tax		\$9,524 71

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN,

Revere National Bank, Boston,	12,000 00	
Peoples Savings Bank, Worcester,	4,000 00	
Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank,	500 00	
J. Warren Bigelow, note,	1,000 00	
Geo. A. Putnam, note,	400 00	
Total,		\$17,900 00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due for State aid,	\$300 00	
Town Hall janitor,	4 46	
Henry Converse, trustee,	1,400 00	
C. W. Dodge, Treasurer,	6,903 50	
John E. O'Leary,	1,100 00	
From Overseers,	25 00	
		\$9732 96
Balance against the Town of		\$8167 04

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Geo. A. Putnam,	\$36 70
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SELECTMEN.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	\$41 00
F. G. Bartlett,	40 00
T. Sibley Heald,	40 00
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	\$121 00

ASSESSORS.

Paid Geo. S. Putnam,	\$56 25
Fred S. Hunt,	42 50
Ira G. Dudley,	42 50
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	\$141 25

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid Henry A. Kennen,	\$29 00
Geo. W. Cowden,	13 00
Henry Converse,	15 00
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	\$57 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Walter A. Hunter,	\$53 65
Wm. C. Temple,	28 00
Franklin Hathaway,	41 50
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	\$123 15

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid Chester W. Dodge,	\$150 00
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CONSTABLES.

Paid Geo. S. Putnam,	\$3 00
J. Warren Moulton,	9 50
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	\$12 50

SEXTONS.

Paid Roland C. Prescott,	\$31 50
E. Wellington,	2 00
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	\$33 50

LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. F. R. Foster,	\$52 00
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TRUANT OFFICER.

Paid Geo. S. Putnam,	\$00 00
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CATTLE INSPECTOR.

Paid W. E. Chamberlin,	\$239 00
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid Geo. A. Putnam,	\$7 50
M. R. Moulton,	6 00
F. G. Bartlett,	6 00
T. Sibley Heald,	6 00
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	\$25 50

BALLOT CLERK.

Paid Dennis A. Smith,	\$4 00
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AUDITOR.

Paid Charles R. Bartlett,	\$4 00
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SNOW BILLS.

Paid Francis Strong,	\$7 00
C. A. Batter,	32 29
J. M. Valley,	8 07
J. W. Steinberg,	30 30
Geo. P. Calhoun,	22 08
D. M. Valley,	2 52
E. B. Wellington,	21 13
Joseph Davis,	54 61

F. Forward,	\$15 00
D. O. Leary,	32 08
C. W. Putnam,	3 58
C. Parker,	27 50
R. C. Prescott,	8 08
J. Hunter,	2 08
J. F. Davis,	9 67
E. Lavaletter,	19 17
D. Damond,	23 01
D. McCarty,	17 33
E. C. Dudley,	54 86
M. Cullen,	6 00
F. Kelley,	19 33
T. S. Heald,	32 27
Miles Griffin,	8 00
F. A. Nichols,	4 16
Elbridge Acker,	20 70
J. Henderson,	64 16
J. Strong Jr,	14 33
C. A. Stone,	2 66
Benj. Strong,	31 50
J. T. Lawless,	2 08
J. Strong,	12 00
R. Cady,	14 00
Geo. P. Woodis,	5 83
Geo. A. Fay,	3 95
Daniel Demond,	8 08
Daniel O'Leary,	61 89
Albert W. Putnam,	10 41
S. D. Taylor,	6 25
Denis O'Leary,	6 17
W. D. Hatch,	8 00
C. B. Bartlett,	22 58
M. D. Potter,	16 89
Thomas Low,	6 78
M. Cullen,	25 54
J. M. Taylor,	31 16
H. J. Davis,	11 06
J. Welch,	35 91

W. G. Wales,	\$46 25
E. M. Davis,	32 80
B. W. Putnam,	8 75
W. E. Browning,	3 30
Leroy S. Putnam,	10 00
E. C. Sargent & Brother,	37 50
S. Prescott,	23 77
E. C. Prescott,	13 33
W. I. Sargeant,	18 67
W. H. Prescott,	44 33
C. H. Upham,	10 37
H. A. Kennen,	78 83
J. Hammond,	39 32
J. S. Heald,	15 01
F. D. Forbush,	10 73
C. W. Putnam,	1 08
G. F. Goldwaithe,	23 65
C. H. Wesson,	3 00
R. C. Prescott,	4 20
Thomas R. Connor,	1 50
C. H. Stearns,	8 25
George Spooner,	1 16
W. A. Russell,	3 58
Richard Cody,	2 00
Daniel McCarty,	1 00
Wm. H. Hammond,	13 25
Dennis A. Smith,	7 17
Samuel Whiting,	7 08
E. R. Maynard,	9 25
George W. Cowden,	35 22
George H. Miles,	22 73
George T. Baker,	10 72
Charles Parker,	5 34
J. Bigelow,	1 66
Wm. J. Hunter,	1 70
A. F. Brown,	16 92
Arthur L. Miles,	28 08
George M. Glazier Jr.,	6 00
S. B. Bray,	22 42

J. E. Valley,	\$ 2 25
J. F. Campbell.	27 41
A. O. Chickering,	67 46
Lakeville Woolen Co.,	11 10
James Scott,	7 74
E. Mellen,	32 76
F. G. Bartlett,	12 50
W. A. Hunter,	12 15
R. Plotz,	4 33
George S. Putnam,	4 00
Alfred Hatstatt,	32 31
George F. Bigelow.	18 24
M. O'Leary,	26 00
Daniel R. Wheeler,	29 50
Joseph Davis,	8 52
Wm. C. Temple,	18 81
J. M. Taylor,	7 83
J. W. Munroe,	17 75
George H. Willis,	1 75
S. B. Bray,	1 92
P. Delchanty,	26 16
M. M. Smith,	15 09
George S. Gates,	1 76
George H. Calhoun,	4 00
Denis O'Herron,	41 00
O. W. McCann,	10 50
Wm. J. Welch,	4 27
S. D. Taylor,	1 75
C. F. Oliver,	1 67
Thomas H. Connor,	3 00
Wm. E. Connor,	3 00
A. Brodmartle,	12 25
C. H. Stone,	1 24
H. A. Kennen,	13 09
J. S. Heald,	12 51
E. Acker,	4 50
Wm. J. Hunt,	3 39
S. Prouty,	1 17
E. H. Crosby,	2 76

Arthur A. Head,	\$ 3 33
J. W. Moulton,	1 33
R. C. Prescott,	5 00
Orton W. Bartlett,	1 25
C. R. Bartlett,	12 33
Leroy & Wesley Putnam,	11 16
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	\$2,011 90

INCIDENTALS.

Paid E. H. Tripp, printing'	\$48 00
B. W. Potter, (Council)	5 00
Henry Converse, supplies, (Highway)	4 00
B. F. Browning, freight on ladders,	8 89
"Memorial Day," W. A. Hunter,	15 00
H. A. Kennen, freight, expense and scraper,	4 67
Fire Apparatus, Smith & Winchester,	83 10
M. R. Moulton, expense on Safe,	12 72
C. W. H. Moulton & Co., Fire apparatus,	56 07
B. F. Browning, Fire apparatus,	3 00
H. A. Kennan, highway tools,	1 75
E. H. Tripp, printing,	31 00
George M. Glazier Jr., Board of Health,	3 00
H. A. Kennen, Bridge,	9 12
George Tyler & Co., road machine,	8 50
S. B. Bray, lumber for bridges,	8 70
George Tyler & Co., road machine repairs,	32 00
O. W. McGann, repairs at cemetery,	5 93
H. A. Kennen,	16 00
George S. Gates, gravel for highway,	2 00
Insurance, S. Prouty,	24 50
J. W. Moulton, fire inquest expense,	24 87
B. F. Strong, railway bridge,	2 00
C. R. Bartlett, hearse house,	25 00
Dr. W. E. Chamberlin, registering children,	13 75
H. A. Kennen, guide posts	28 06
Fire apparatus, M. Loughman,	7 65
Peter O'Connor, tools,	8 00
Lighting street lamps,	9 00
Potter & Aiken, council on fire inquest,	10 00

Stillman J. Fletcher, painting guide boards,	\$30 80
Elmer Pultz, street lighting,	11 00
George A. Putnam, services, Justice of Peace for Town,	4 40
D. M. Parker, lumber for guide posts,	32 10
H. A. Kennen, railing highways,	57 75
F. S. Hunt, railing,	9 50
Chester W. Dodge, expense to Boston, etc.,	3 55
F. G. Bartlett, team furnished selectmen,	3 00
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	\$663 40

STATE AID.

1893.

Paid C. W. Dodge, Treasurer, March and April,	\$74 00
May,	35 00
June,	35 00
July,	35 00
Aug.,	39 00
Sept.,	39 00
Oct.,	39 00
Nov.,	39 00
Dec.,	39 00

1894.

Paid C. W. Dodge, Treasurer, Jan.,	39 00
Feb.,	39 00
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	\$452 00

RECAPITULATION

Paid Town Clerk,	\$36 70
Selectmen,	121 00
Assessors,	141 25
Overseers,	57 00
School Committee,	123 15
Collector and Treasurer,	150 00
Constables,	12 50
Sextons,	33 50
Librarian,	52 00
Board of Health,	239 00

Registrars,	\$ 25 50
Ballot Clerk,	4 00
Auditor,	4 00
Breaking Boards,	2,011 90
Incidentals,	663 40
State Aid,	452 00
Highway,	1,630 59
Schools,	2,502 99
Overseers orders,	996 84
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	\$9,257 32

GUIDE BOARDS AND POSTS ERECTED,

One near S. B. Bray, corner,	Post and board new
One near E. C. Dudley's corner,	2 boards and post new
One at Junction Barre and Paxton roads,	2 boards and post new
One at West Rutland Post office corner,	1 board
One near Charles Pierce's	2 boards and post new
Two near Patrick Delehanty's corner	3 boards and 2 posts new
One near Miles Holden's corner	1 board
One at Meade's corner	2 boards
One near Muschopogue House	1 new board
Two near the Center Post office	2 new boards
One on Pound Hill	2 new boards
One near Daniel Nyhin's	1 board and post new
One near Walter Bartlett's	1 new board
One near Daniel Wheeler's	2 boards and post new
One near M. Myron Smith's	2 new boards
One near Maynard's corner	1 board and post new
One near George Holden's	1 board and post new
One at Greenleaf's corner	1 board and post new
One at Benjamin Allen's	1 board and post new
One near No. 1 School-house	2 boards and post new
One near Addison Child's	1 board and post new
One at New Boston corner	2 boards and post new
One near Brodmerkel's	2 boards and post new
One near Levi H. Stearns'	2 boards and post new
One near John Sargent's	2 boards and post new
One near Upham's corner	1 board and post new

41 boards. 27 new boards and 19 new posts.

A LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS, 1894

IRA G. DUDLEY,
 LORENZO Q. SPAULDING,
 EDWARD F. PRESTON,
 ARTHUR F. BROWN,
 H. EDWARD WHEELER,
 FRANK D. FORBUSH,
 PAUL WHEELER,
 DENNIS A. SMITH,

JOHN W. ADAMS,
 JOHN W. MUNROE,
 JOSEPH O'HERRON,
 J. WARREN MOULTON,
 FRED B. STEARNS,
 ERA C. DUDLEY,
 ELBRIDGE ACKER,
 WM. H. PRESCOTT.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON, } *Selectmen*
 F. G. BARTLETT. } *of*
 T. SIBLEY HEALD, } *Rutland.*

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

TO THE CITIZENS OF RUTLAND:

I have examined the bills and vouchers in the Selectmen's report and also the financial statements of the Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Overseers of Poor, Supt. of Roads and School Committees Reports, and find them correct.

C. R. BARTLETT, Auditor

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1894.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

April, Work with Teams and Men,	\$114 65
May,	439 22
June,	612 21
July,	32 50
August,	175 26
September,	57 50
October,	111 00
November,	40 83
December,	7 25
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	\$1,590 42

EXTRA WORK DONE.

Paid Michael Cullen,	\$9 17
T. S. Heald,	4 25
T. S. Heald,	6 30
A. O. Chickering,	11 45
T. S. Heald,	2 25
D. P. Avery,	1 05
L. S. Brigham,	5 70
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	\$40 17
Total,	<hr/>
	\$1,630 59

Repairing Bridge at West Rutland.

Paid Mr. Bray, for plank,	\$8 70
Paid H. A. Kennen, men and teams,	9 17
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Total,	\$17 87

LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY.

1 Plow,	3 Picks,
2 Hand Scrapers,	4 Hoes,
2 Bush Scrapers,	1 Bog Hook,
5 Spades,	1 Hook,
1 Fork,	1 Bush Scythe,
1 Steel Bar,	1 Stone Hammer,
2 Rakes,	1 Wrench,
2 Road Machines.	

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. KENNEN, Supt. of Road

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR AND TREASURER

Town of Rutland in account with C. W. DODGE, Collector and Treasurer.

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1893.		
March	7, Amount brought forward,	\$6,565 94
	8, Rec'd of H. A. Kennen, for gravel,	1 00
	8, H. A. Kennen, old plank,	3 00
	8, L. M. Hanff, collector 1888, tax and interest,	3 99
	17, George A. Putnam, error in acct.	12 95
April	6, Overseers of Rutland,	100 00
	8, " "	485 76
	22, " "	800 00
May	25, " "	147 37
	27, " "	204 98
June	10, Peoples' Savings Bank,	1,000 00
	24, W. G. Hudson, janitor,	8 65
	24, Overseers of Rutland,	85 00
July	1, John E. O'Leary, on note,	113 00
Aug.	25, Overseers of Rutland,	144 00
Dec.	1, State Treasurer,	393 91
	2, H. A. Kennen, on note,	40 00
	28, County Treasurer, dog fund,	174 96
1894.		
Jan.	1, J. E. O'Leary, on note,	130 00
	1, Court fines,	12 70
	26, State Treasurer, School fund,	289 03
Feb.	13, Overseers of Rutland,	10 25
	15, " "	224 75
	15, " "	58 00
	15, Tax bills for 1893.	9,524 71
	15, Interest on Taxes,	105 60
		\$20,639 54

1893.			Dr.
March	8,	Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	\$40 00
	15,	State Treasurer, note,	1,000 00
	15,	Interest on 13,000,	260 00
	15,	Order of abatement of taxes,	366 35
June	2,	People's Savings Bank, interest,	21 25
	27,	People's Savings Bank, interest,	21 25
July	6,	Five Cent Savings Bank, interest,	12 50
Aug.	29,	S. Prouty, Interest on note,	18 00
Sept.	8,	People's Savings Bank, interest,	40 00
	13,	State Treas., interest on \$12,000,	240 00
Oct;	2,	County Treasurer, County tax,	198 00
Dec.	6,	People's Savings Bank, interest,	25 00
	6,	County Treasurer, County tax,	198 00
	8,	People's Savings Bank, interest,	25 00
	8,	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
	9,	State Treasurer, State tax,	575 00
	13,	Geo. A. Putnam, interest,	26 00
	25,	J. Warren Bigelow, interest,	60 00
	27,	People's Savings Bank, interest,	27 50
1894.			
Jan.	1,	Schuyler Prouty, note and interest,	309 00
	6,	Worcester Five cent Savings Bank, interest,	15 00
	6,	Abatement on taxes, on error,	86
	15,	321 orders,	9,257 32
Jan.	15,	1892 Tax bills unpaid,	574 26
	15,	1893 Tax bills unpaid,	4,095 44
	15,	Cash on hand,	2,233 81
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Balance in Treasury February 15, 1894,			\$20,639 54
			\$6,903 50

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. DODGE, Treasurer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for 1893.

BIRTHS.

DATE OF BIRTH.	NAMES.	PARENTS.
1892.		
Aug. 28,	Charles Edward Parker,	Charles and Nellie (Lowe) Parker.
1893.		
Jan. 2,	Walter Alion Cashman,	Joseph and Ada M. (Urill) Cashman,
6,	Eva Florence Strong,	Amos and Hattie A. (Whitcomb) Strong
12,	Henry Divou,	Joseph and Ellen (Cross) Divou,
14,	Myrna Louise Miles,	George H. and Etta Louise (Miles) Miles,
Feb. 1,	Benjamin Connor,	Thomas H. and Nancy (Gillman) Connor,
17,	Harold Ernest Henderson,	Joshua and Mary J. (Williams) Hen- derson,
June 4,	Walter Cleveland Duke- shire,	Norman and Sarah (Mailing) Duke- shire,
25,	Agniss May Brissette,	Eli and Eliza (Simonds) Brissette,
27,	John William Gleason,	Michael and Catherine J. (O'Leary) Gleason,
July 29,	Olive Estelle Supernor,	Jeremiah and Josephine (Divou) Su- pernor,
Aug. 12,	Ellen LaCross,	Joseph and Mary (Kerber) LaCross,
27,	William Bruisseau,	James and Cora (Cotta) Bruisseau.
Sept. 25,	Joseph Edwin Valley Jr.,	J. Edwin and Margaret Teresa (Burke) Valley,

Oct.	18,	Mildred Lombard Goldthwait,	John B. and Louise M. (Lombard) Goldthwait,
	22,	Edith May Strong,	Benjamin and Clara (Perry) Strong,
	24,	Constance Rilla Steeves,	Howard W. and Lydia A. (Collicutt) Steeves,
	28,	Elizabeth Frances O'Leary,	Daniel W. and Mary Ellen (Gleason) O'Leary,
	31.	William Edmund Burke.	William and Anna J. (Lawless) Burke.
Nov.	5,	Catherine Dodge Putnam,	Clinton W. and Lucy C. (Dodge) Putnam,
	19,	Harold LeRoy Lawless,	George A. and Bertha (Luce) Lawless,
Nov.	28.	Flora Fanny Lough,	George B. and Sarah J. (Cowden) Louth,
Dec.	2,	Albelma Sharon.	Albert E. and Marv L. (Van Sleet) Sharon,
	20,	———Fay,	George A. and S. Maude (Demond) Fay,
	31,	Anna Mary Sophia Ploetz,	Robert and Anna (Wideman) Ploetz.

MARRIAGES.

1893.

Jan.	23,	William W. Luce and Stella Clark, both of Rutland.
Feb.	1,	George H. Rice of Rutland, and Catharine M. Cullens of Worcester.
Apr.	27,	Clinton W. Putnam and Lucy C Dodge, both of Rutland.
June	20,	Levi H. Stearns and Harriet M. (Day) Bliss, both of Rutland.
	15,	Benjamin W. Leonard and Cora B. Armitage, both of Athol.
	28,	Allen S. Woodward of Hubbardston and Hattie O. Brigham of Rutland.
Aug.	15,	Arthur L. Miles and Mary A. Putnam, both of Rutland.
	19,	Gustaf Hedstrom and Charlotte E. Wellington, both of Rutland.
Sept.	20,	Lyman E. Jones of Holliston and Flora B. Whiting of Rutland.

DEATHS.

DATE.	NAMES.	AGE.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
1893.		yrs. mos. ds.	
Jan. 22,	Mrs. Eliza Mundell, 69	6	Pneumonia.
Feb. 10,	Mrs. Mary A. Grout, 68	10	Pneumonia.
April 10,	Mrs. Clarissa E. Smith,	88	3 7 LaGrippe and Pneumonia,
	27, Harold E. Handy,	5	3 Marasmus and LaGrippe.
	30, Emma J. Stone,	29	10 24 Phthisis,
May 9,	Walter A. Cashman,	4	7 Inflammation of Lungs.
June 26,	James M. Taylor,	69	2 8 Bright's Disease.
July 1,	Moses Clark,	82	Old Age.
	18, Walter F. Shepard,	5	Whooping Cough and Convulsions
Aug 4,	Maria Burke,	5	22 Cholera Infantum.
	5, Mrs. Nancy H. Baker, 85	4	9 Cerebral Paralysis.
	14, Olive E. Supernor,	16	Icterus Neonatorum.
Sept. 14,	Margaret Moorhouse,		Stillborn.
	17, Edward E. West,	51	Phthisis.
Oct. 27,	William Buisseau,	2	Marasmus.
Nov. 16,	Mrs. Annie E. Baker, 44	8	7 Heart disease.
Dec. 8,	Lucy Sawyer,	87	Old Age.
	21, ———Fay,	1	A Blue baby.

The number of Dogs licensed in 1893, was

100 Male Dogs @ \$2.00,	\$200 00
3 Female Dogs @ \$5.00,	15 00
<hr/> 103 Dogs,	<hr/> \$215 00
Fees for registration,	20 60
<hr/> Paid to County Treasurer,	<hr/> \$209 40

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, *Town Clerk.*

RUTLAND, FEB. 13, 1894.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

During the past year, through the generosity of the State, One Hundred Dollars worth of new books, 125 volumes, have been added to the Library. A new supplement to the catalogue has been printed.

The number of books taken from the Library, by readers, during the year is 2345, an increase of 251 over last year. One book has been lost.

The life of John G. Paton, 2 volumes, has been given by Mrs. James H. Kendall.

Your Trustees would call your attention to the careless handling which many of the books suffer, and request that more care be taken in the use of them, and that the injurious practice of turning down the leaves be discontinued.

The Library hours are from 2 till 9 P. M.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Balance of last year,	\$32 99
Appropriation,	63 72
Received for fines,	6 13
Received for Catalogues,	1 00
Received from non-residents for use of Library,	9 40

\$113 24

EXPENDITURES.

Salary of Librarian,	\$52 00	
Paid E. H. Tripp, printing Catalogues,	6 00	
Paid to replace old books,	2 37	
Paid for paper for covering,	1 16	
	<hr/>	\$61 53
Balance,		<hr/> \$51 71

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	}	<i>Trustees of Rutland Free Public Library.</i>
MRS. SARAH MUNROE,		
MRS. H. R. SPAULDING,		

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, FOR THE YEAR 1893.

FELLOW CITIZENS:

A report of the Public Schools for the year 1893 is herewith submitted.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Population of the Town, United States census 1890,	980
Number of persons in town between five and fifteen years of age May 1, 1893,	144
Number between eight and fourteen,	92
Whole number of different pupils registered in the Schools,	205
Average membership,	163.55
Average attendance,	144.53
Valuation of the Town May 1st,	\$607,202
Rate of Taxation,	.015
Estimated value of School property,	\$6,000

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Unexpended balance of 1892,	\$185 94
Appropriations of 1892—	
Salaries and supplies,	1,200 00
Conveyance of pupils,	775 00
State School fund,	289 20
Dog fund,	100 00
Total,	\$2,550 14

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers Salaries,	\$1,730 00	
Conveyance of Pupils,	378 00	
Books and supplies,	218 92	
Fuel,	91 85	
Janitors,	51 52	
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Total,		\$2,470 29
Balance unexpended,		\$79 85
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		\$2,550 14

CONTINGENT.

Repairs and furnishings,	\$81 20
Incidentals,	3 00

A few bills have been handed in, but too late to be included in the Financial Statement, which would have reduced the unexpended balance to \$38.35

BILLS APPROVED.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Paid F. B. Whiting, 1 term,	\$70 00
Marda M. Partridge, 1 term,	140 00
Mary A. Putnam, 1 term,	70 00
E. Mabelle Albee, 1 term	70 00
Alice R. Walker, 2 terms,	140 00
Mary A. Leamy, 3 terms,	230 00
Nellie I. Ellis. 3 terms,	240 00
Catherine Regan, 1 term.	70 00
Sadia A. Webb, 1 term,	70 00
W. A. Hunter, 1 term,	80 00
Marcia P. Hill, 2 terms,	160 00
Octavia W. Hathaway, 1 term,	80 00
E. N. Shirley, 1 term,	110 00
A. L. Saben, 2 terms,	200 00
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Total,	\$1,730 00

CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS.

Paid Geo. H. Miles,	\$40 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	35 00	
James Scott,	10 00	
E. C. Dudley,	10 00	
M. D. Potter,	10 00	
C. A. Hammond,	40 00	
D. W. O'Leary,	17 50	
H. E. Wheeler,	40 00	
A. O. Chickering,	8 00	
A. F. Brown,	15 00	
D. W. O'Leary,	17 50	
Herbert Heald,	16 00	
A. F. Brown,	40 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	40 00	
Dennis Smith,	15 00	
Herbert Heald,	24 00	
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Total,		\$378 00

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid Sawtelle & Co.,	\$10 65	
Edward Whitney,	18 14	
American Book Co.,	42 28	
Lee & Shepard,	3 34	
Sanford & Co.,	5 00	
Geo. F. King & Co.,	12 60	
Thompson Brown & Co.,	28 64	
Maynard Merrill & Co.,	1 68	
D. C. Heath & Co.,	9 00	
Ginn & Co.,	12 71	
Silver Burdett & Co.,	12 20	
King & Merrill,	3 97	
Leach Sherwell & Sanborn,	36 15	
Thompson Brown & Co.,	22 96	
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Total,		\$218 92

FUEL.

Paid Dennis O'Leary,	\$10 00	
Wm. C Temple,	31 10	
C. A. Spooner,	15 00	
Joseph Davis,	10 00	
E. Wellington,	5 00	
F. D. Forbush,	6 00	
Henry Moore,	10 00	
L. S. Putnam,	4 75	
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Total,		\$91 85

JANITORS.

Paid B. W. Putnam,	\$9 00	
Norman Pultz,	5 00	
Geo. E. Smith,	2 50	
Anna B. McGann,	2 75	
O. W. McGann,	3 00	
E. A. Bemis,	80	
Teachers,	28 47	
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Total,		\$51 52

CONTINGENT.

REPAIRS AND FURNISHINGS.

Paid F. A. Nichols,	\$1 03	
H. Converse,	2 19	
E. Dudley,	2 75	
F. Hathaway,	19 75	
D. & C. P. Stevens, doors, windows, etc.,	26 68	
Wm. J. Hunt,	17 31	
Geo. S. Gates,	10 74	
Stillman Fletcher,	75	
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Total,		\$81 20

INCIDENTAL.

Paid Dr. Chamberlain,	\$3 00
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STATISTICS.

TEACHERS.

	SCHOOL.	SPRING.				FALL.				WINTER.				Number over 15 years	Number under 5 years.	8 and 14 years. Between
		Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Wages Per Month.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Wages Per Month.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Wages Per Month.			
MARCIA P. HILL,	C Prim	28	28	26	\$32	34	31	29	\$32	30	27	2.3	\$32	0	0	
OCTAVIA W. HATHAWAY,	No. 9													0	0	24
FLORA B. WHITING,	No. 1	19	17.2	13.8	28											
MARDA M. PARTIDGE,						22	19.97	17.37	28	18	15.13	11.63	28	1	0	20
MARY A. PUTNAM,	2, 3	13	12	11.5	28									0	0	11
E. MABELLE ALBEE,	No. 4	13	12	11.7	28									0	0	11
ALICE R. WALKER,	2, 3, 4					27	23.45	20.75	28	19	17.6	17.1	28	1	1	16
MARY A. LEAMY,	No. 5	31	28.7	26.6	28	35	31.28	29.5	32	34	32 $\frac{2}{3}$	29.8	32	3	2	19
NELLIE I. ELLIS,	6, 7	23	23	20.9	32	32	28.93	26.8	32	27	23.73	21.25	32	4	1	17
CATHERINE REGAN,	No. 8	16	14	12	28											
SADIA A. WEBB,						14	14	11.92	28							
W. A. HUNTER,										13	12.3	10.5	32	1	0	10
E. N. SHIRLEY,	High	23	18	20	44											
A. L. SABIN,						33	28 $\frac{2}{3}$	25	40	33	28 $\frac{1}{3}$	24 $\frac{1}{3}$	40	14	0	19

ROLL OF HONOR.

The following is a list of those scholars who have been neither absent or tardy during one or more terms of School.:

Julia Cullen,	Alice McGann,
Matthew Cullen.	Anna McGann,
Warren Wales,	John McGann,
Bertha Stearns,	Eva Goldthwait,
Leon Portrais,	Arthur P. Sanderson,
Harry Wales,	Sammie Ashworth,
Frank Denny,	Edgar Fay,
Belle A. Baker,	Robert Hunter,
Harry N. Bartlett,	Charles Putnam,
Clarence Stone,	Jennie Browning,
Edith Cheever,	Enma Taylor,
Lila Cheever,	Jimmie Carbonno,
Eddie Hunt,	Freddie Hunt,
Gertrude Hunt.	

CONSOLIDATIONS,

For the Spring term No. 2 and 3 were consolidated; the Fall and Winter terms No. 2 and 3 with No. 4, No. 9 with the center and No. 6 with No. 7 through the year. If we were obliged to maintain a school in each district with two in the center, eleven teachers would be required, whereas by this consolidation only seven were needed, saving to us quite a sum, after paying for the transporting of pupils, thus enabling us to secure better and more experienced teachers for all the Schools.

A still further consolidation might be advisable.

MEMORIAL DAY.

The last session of the Schools prior to Memorial day, was devoted to patriotic exercises.

In the observance of the day the children were out in force, and performed the parts assigned them to the satisfaction of all.

The fifteen dollars appropriated for the occasion accomplished all that we could reasonably expect.

TRUANCY.

The Town has made provisions as the law demands relative to truants and absentees from school.

We have called upon the truant officer but very little during the year, in fact we know of but one or two cases of pupils absenting themselves from school of their own accord. Non-attendance and irregularity is chargeable to parents or guardians who keep their children at home without sufficient reason. We would remind such parents that they are liable to a fine of twenty dollars for each offence. If this practice is continued your committee will be obliged to enforce the law more strictly in the future, however unpleasant the duty may be.

REPAIRS.

We have expended quite a sum in repairing the house in W. Rutland, but have not completed what was contemplated. The old seats should be taken out and new ones put in, and the house should be painted before another term of School.

We expended a small sum in District No. 4, and more will be required another year.

The house in the Center and the one in District No. 1 should be put in better condition.

We are sorry to say that there are some evil disposed persons who delight in battering doors and breaking windows; possibly we may find out who the guilty ones are, who should be punished as severely as the law will allow.

LENGTH AND NUMBER OF SCHOOLS.

We have been able to maintain thirty weeks of School divided into three terms of ten weeks each, designated as the Spring, Fall, and Winter terms.

During the Spring term we have eight Schools, but in the Fall and Winter terms, only seven.

Your Committee are sure that the change in the length and number of terms is satisfactory both to the parents and scholars.

Our expectations have been realized and we find it more easy to retain good teachers with the three terms of ten weeks than it was with two terms of fourteen weeks.

Therefore we would earnestly and respectfully recommend the necessary appropriations to secure the thirty weeks of school the coming year; and as a basis for your action we estimate the following appropriations necessary.

For teachers salaries, supplies, fuel, and care of school-	
houses,	\$1,500.00
Conveyance of pupils,	775.00
Of the Dog fund,	100.00

CONDITION AND CHARACTER OF THE SCHOOLS.

The laws of the State impose upon the School Committee the duty of seeing to it that the public schools are in a condition and of a character best calculated to advance the improvement and promote the good of the pupils.

It has been said that the character of the school depends upon the character of the teacher and the character of the teacher will depend upon the compensation. We have endeavored to do the best we could with the means at our disposal to improve the condition of the schools; and are sure that some improvement has been made within the past year. We are fully aware that much more can and ought to be done, to make our schools what they should be. But to accomplish what is necessary, it needs the united effort of all the citizens in town, realizing that it is one of their most important duties to cherish and foster the public schools, and make some sacrifice in order to accomplish the desired result.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The High School has been maintained throughout the year, the last two terms taught by the same teacher with satisfactory results.

We believe that this School by proper support and encouragement, can be made prolific in stimulating our children to higher intellectual attainments and nobler purposes.

Your Committee after due consideration have come to the conclusion that it is of the utmost importance for the best interest of this school, to have a regular three years course of studies to be pursued, with certain regulations pertaining thereto, and also for its better discipline.

The following Studies and regulations have been decided upon and adopted:

STUDIES.

FIRST YEAR.

Fall.	Winter.	Spring.
Arithmetic,	Arithmetic,	Arithmetic,
English,	English,	English,
Geography,	Geography,	Geography.
Writing,	Writing.	Writing,
Reading,	Reading,	Reading,
Spelling.	Spelling.	Spelling.

SECOND YEAR.

Fall.	Winter.	Spring.
Latin lessons or	Latin lessons or	Latin lessons or
Physiology,	Physiology,	Physical Geology,
Rhetoric,	Rhetoric,	Rhetoric,
Algebra,	Algebra,	Algebra,
U. S. History.	U. S. History.	English History.

THIRD YEAR.

Fall.	Winter.	Spring.
Cæsar or	Cæsar or	Cæsar or
Physical Geography,	Natural History	Geology,
Geometry,	Geometry,	Astronomy,
Physics,	Physics,	Physics,
English Literature.	Eng. Literature.	Eng. Literature.

REGULATIONS.

SELECTION OF STUDIES.

On entering the school each pupil will be required to select one of the courses prescribed and to take the full number of studies in the course selected, unless special arrangements are made with the school board.

DEMERITS.

When the conduct of a pupil is injurious to the discipline of the school, the principal shall suspend such pupil, and report the case to the school board at once.

SCHOLARSHIP.

At the middle and close of each term, a statement showing progress and deportment of each pupil will be sent to the parent or guardian.

MAKING UP STUDIES.

Every recitation missed by absence must be made up or marked zero. If a pupil wishes to make up a study missed the day before, he will state his desire at the beginning of the recitation. In other cases special arrangements must be made with the teacher.

EXAMINATIONS.

Written examinations will occur at the middle and close of each term, and all examinations must be satisfactorially passed. When absence from examination is necessary the pupil will be required to pass the examination before he can be received again into the same or higher grades.

CONDITIONS.

No pupil will be allowed to graduate, or to pass from one year of the course to another, whose standing falls below 65 per cent. in any one study.

HONORS.

The valedictory and salutatory shall be assigned upon the basis of scholarship.

These regulations and the studies prescribed for the school we believe will animate all pupils that wish to enter it, to do their very best while in the primary schools, and do after entering it, to work with a will, and determination to master all the studies pursued.

External agencies alone, will not bring about the desired result; we must have the support and encouragement of all the parents and friends of education, and above all we want the services of a good teacher, without which, no good school can exist.

DUTIES OF PARENTS.

As a rule we all believe that if we are engaged and interested in any important undertaking or work, we look after that work personally and constantly, knowing that it is the only way to insure success. Then let us inquire what more important work or business have we as parents than to secure for our children the best possible education that is within our reach.

So we say visit the schools, see to it that your own children are orderly and studious and advancing in their several studies.

The frequent visits of parents we believe will greatly benefit the school in regard to good deportment and perfectly learned lessons, and you will know by this personal observation the general character of the school.

A report of the doings of the school by your children on coming home at night is often misleading, as all such reports, usually indicate that they themselves, have been good, and studious, and all the wrong doing has been done by the other scholars.

We think the proper thing to do before passing judgement based upon any report that is calculated to injure the character of the school or the reputation of the teacher, is to investigate the matter thoroughly and impartially. Finally we would call upon all parents, voters and citizens of the town to do their utmost to make our schools what they should be, by sufficient appropriations of money, and the approval of necessary forward movements, that will enable our children to get a good education, morally and mentally, with which we are comparatively safe, but without which, we are in peril.

IN CONCLUSION.

We are pleased to state that as a whole the schools have been progressive, and the teachers have been ambitious to make their work tell for the best interest of the children committed to their charge. To them, we would extend our thanks for their faithfulness and earnest zeal.

To the *parents* and *all* those who have shown an interest in any way, we wish to express our high appreciation of their interest, encouragement, cordial co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. HUNTER,	}	<i>School Committee of Rutland.</i>
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE		
FRANKLIN HATHAWAY,		

10.00

30.00

8.00

3.00

6.85

20.00

8.75

12.00

134.60



ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

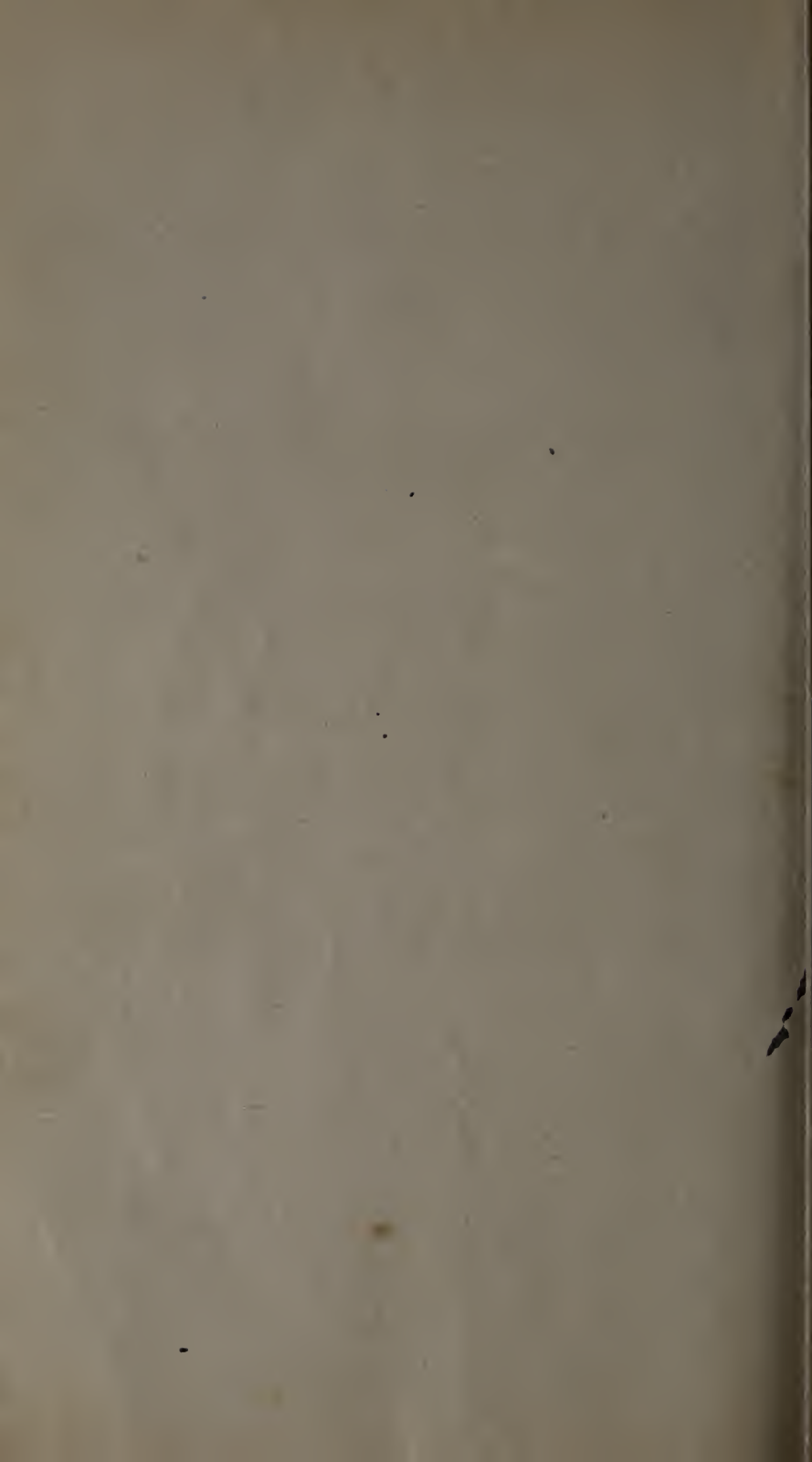
OF THE

TOWN OF RUTLAND.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1895.





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FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1895.

OAKHAM, MASS.:

I. W. MULLETT, PRINTER AND PUBLISHER,
1895.

TOWN OFFICERS.

MODERATOR.

Charles R. Bartlett.

TOWN CLERK.

George A. Putnam.

SELECTMEN.

M. R. Moulton,

F. G. Bartlett,

T. Sibley Heald.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Henry A. Kennen,

George W. Cowden,

Henry Converse.

ASSESSORS.

Charles R. Bartlett,

C. W. Dodge,

Wm. C. Temple.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Walter A. Hunter,

Wm. C. Temple,

Franklin Hathaway.

SEXTON.

Roland C. Prescott.

LIBRARIAN.

Mrs. Freeman R. Foster.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

Chester W. Dodge.

ROAD COMMISSIONER.

Henry A. Kennen.

CONSTABLES.

Fred B. Stearns,

J. Warren Moulton.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

Wm. C. Temple, Mrs. Geo. B. Munroe, Mrs. L. Q. Spaulding.

MEASURERS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER.

George A. Putnam,

J. W. Moulton,

Joseph O'Herron,

Addison Childs.

FENCE VIEWERS.

Geo. A. Putnam,

Daniel Demond,

A. B. Fisher.

FIELD DRIVER.

Dennis O'Herron.

POUND KEEPER.

George W. Hudson.

AUDITOR.

F. R. Foster.

WARRANT

FOR

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 4, 1895.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER, SS. TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE
TOWN OF RUTLAND:

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland to meet at the Town Hall in said Rutland, on Monday the fourth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1.—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2.—To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

ART. 3.—To see if the Town will accept of the reports of the Town Officers and committees for the past year, or act thereon.

ART. 4.—To see what sums of money the Town will raise for the support of the Public Schools; for repairs on the Highways; for the support of the Poor; for surveys on State Highways; for use Memorial Day; for Contingent Expenses, paying Debts and appropriate the same.

- ART. 5.—To see if the Treasurer shall be collector of Taxes, and determine the compensation of the same.
- ART. 6.—To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.
- ART. 7.—To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.
- ART. 8.—To see if the Town will instruct their Assessors to abate any Taxes in the hands of their Collector.
- ART. 9.—To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town with the approval of the Selectmen.
- ART. 10.—To vote by ballot Yes or No to the question, Shall license be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Town.
- ART. 11.—To see if the Town will vote to build a new Town Hall and raise money for the same, or act anything thereon.
- ART. 12.—To see what interest shall be collected on Taxes not paid in a specified time.
- ART. 13.—To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Trustee of the Meade fund to return said fund to the Town Treasurer together with the interest thereof, or act thereon.
- ART. 14.—To see if the Town will vote to move the new Hearse House from one to two hundred feet or the moving of the same by the Rural Cemetery Association, or act thereon.
- ART. 15.—To see if the Town will vote to sell any of their unoccupied School Houses, or act thereon.
- ART. 16.—To see if the Town will authorize their School Committee to provide transportation for children of school age to and from school houses remote from their homes and make appropriations for the same.
- ART. 17.—To see what action the Town will take in regard to furnishing accommodation for impounding stray cattle, or act thereon.

ART. 18.—To see if the Town will vote to increase the size of their Town Hall and appropriate money for the same, or act thereon.

ART. 19.—To see if the Town will vote to comply with the law in regard to Truant Scholars, or act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to the vote of said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

M. R. MOULTON,	} Selectmen of Rutland.
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	

Schools 1500
Highways 1200
Poor 800
Surveys 50
Memorial day 25

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

HOLDEN POOR FARM ASSOCIATION,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1895.

With the close of another year the Board of Management respectfully submit to the inhabitants of the towns forming the Association the following report:

INMATES RECEIVING SUPPORT:

Name.	Age.	Settlement.	Began.	Period of Support.	No. Days.
Martha Parker, 56,		Holden,	April 1, 1890.	Continues.	365
Lizzie Kenney, 38,		"	April 1, 1890.	"	365
Nahum S. Newton, 64,		"	Dec. 24, 1891.	"	365
Bridget Kennen, 96,		"	Apr. 11, 1892.	Died Mar. 16.	44
Patrick Doyle, 80,		"	Nov. 1, 1892.	Continues.	365
Peter King, 77,		"	Apr. 26, 1893.	"	365

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Nancy Boynton, 56,		Hubbardston.	Apr. 1, '90.	Continues.	365
David Rice, 76,		"	Apr. 1, '91.	"	365
Moses Clark, 17,		"	May 26, '91.	"	365
Henry Clark, 15,		"	May 26, '91.	Left Oct. 1.	243
Charles Clark, 19,		"	May 26, '91.	Died July 4.	154
Emmons Smith, 84,		"	Aug. 5, '92.	Died Feb. 22.	22
Elbridge G. Thatcher, 77,		"	Oct. 6, '92.	Continues.	395
Hugh Lake, 24,		"	Dec. 2, '94.	Left Jan. 7.	37
Maria Whitney, 54,		"	Dec. 18, '94.	Continues.	45
Mary Whitney, 15,		"	Dec. 18, '94.	"	45
Minnie A. Whitney, 10 months.		"		No charge made.	

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Eunice Walker, 69,		Oakham.	April 1, 1892.	Continues.	365
George Ash, 72,		"	April 1, 1892.	Died Oct. 22.	264
Lavina B. Field, 70,		"	Oct. 31, 1894.	Continues.	93

Rosa Boen, 56, Rutland.	July 22, 1893.	Continues.	365
Louisa Smith, 64, " "	Mar. 6, 1894.	"	332
*Austin Preston, 53, " "	Jan. 1, 1894.	"	306

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Mary Cutting, 64, Westminster.	Apr. 1, '92.	Died May 7.	96
William Baker, 78, " "	Apr. 1, '92.	Continues.	365
Margaret Cronin, 52, " "	Apr. 1, '92.	"	365
Adaline Eager, 54, " "	Apr. 1, '92.	"	365
Frank Lavine, 16, " "	Jan. 9, '94.	Left Apr. 14.	73
Adrian R. Eaton, 22, " "	July 27, '94.	Left July 30.	4
Sarah Blake, 57, " "	Jan. 24, '95.	Continues.	8

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Whole number of inmates, 30. Died, 5.

Left the institution, 4. Remaining, 21.

Total days board furnished, 6876 or 982 weeks and 2 days.

Average weekly number, 18.89 plus.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Cash received for milk,	\$751 58
" " calves,	70 00
" " board,	10 00
Due for February milk,	51 10
" " Handel Winship's board,	32 00

\$914 68

EXPENSES.

Warden's Salary,	\$550 00
Outside Labor,	207 82
Inside Labor,	156 00
Groceries,	423 23
Grain,	579 03
Meat,	166 99
Dry Goods, Clothing and Sundries,	319 58
Pigs,	9 00
Ice,	9 45
Wood,	68 25
Medical Attendance,	32 50
Fertilizer,	123 80
General Repairs,	91 29
Furnace Bulk-head and Fire Escape,	277 02

* Away 59 days.

Fire Extinguisher,	21 00	
Stove,	35 53	
Harness,	23 00	
Rent,	200 00	
Interest on Personal Property,	120 99	
	<hr/>	\$3414 48
Deducting sales,		914 68
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Balance being net expense,		\$2499 80

A weekly expense for each inmate of \$2.545.

THE EXPENSE TO EACH TOWN IS AS FOLLOWS:

Holden,	\$679 48	
Hubbardston,	729 29	
Oakham,	262 49	
Paxton,	Nothing.	
Rutland,	364 65	
Westminster,	463 89	
	<hr/>	\$2499 80

THE FOLLOWING TABLE SHOWS THE CONDITION FOR EACH YEAR OF THE ASSOCIATION:

	Number of Inmates.	Weekly Average.	Total No. Weeks.	Cost per Week.
First year,	12	7.7-26	377.5-7	\$2.875
Second year,	16	11.7-26	586	2.243 plus.
Third year,	26	21.25-26	1142	1.959 plus.
*Fourth year,	30	22.37-306	967	2.232 plus.
Fifth year,	30	19.89 plus.	982.2-7	2.545

The inmates have received the kind treatment which a due regard for the comfort of our unfortunate wards demands and their health has been exceptionally good as is shown by the small expense for medical attendance. Of the thirty persons who have received support within the year twenty-one remain, four have left to care for themselves and five have been removed by death, of the latter with the exception of one, a youth of nineteen, who died of consumption, all were persons well advanced in years. Nahum S. Newton of Holden, a veteran of the late war, having waived his claim for support elsewhere as provided by Chap. 447, Acts of 1890, is receiving "soldiers relief" here. Handel Winship of Westminster, a worthy old gentleman of 84 years, of a good

* 10 months.

family, has been boarded at this institution since Dec. 6. His present mental condition requiring a constant watchfulness and restraint such as could not be expected elsewhere. The Association receives four dollars a week for his board. It is worthy of note that notwithstanding the continued business depression the support furnished has been less than for the two previous years, being only fifteen weeks more than for the ten months covered by the preceding report. Paxton is fortunate in having no ward so needy as to require support here. While this condition together with the limited demand for milk which has necessitated the fattening of a number of calves and the making of considerable butter, has concluded to the increased cost per week in maintaining the poor. The more important factor in this increase, has been the improvements on the house, required by the State Inspector of Public Institutions. The furnace for the warming the rooms of the inmates, with the bulk-head which it necessitated together with the fire escape and fire extinguisher afford means of comfort and safety which the spirit of the age demands, but the cost of which should be considered as different from ordinary annual repairs required for the maintenance of an institution of this kind. But for the expense of these permanent fixtures the cost per week would have been about the same as last year. By comparing the cost of outdoor labor, grain, fertilizers, tools, the depreciation in the value of stock and tools and the increased rent on real and personal property made necessary by the working of a farm of this size; with the income derived therefrom it becomes clear to all as it has been for some time to the managers of similar institutions all over the state, that the cultivation of more land than is required to produce what is needed for the consumption of the inmates is a source of loss rather than profit. A pleasant feature which deserves notice was the bountiful Christmas dinner of turkey and such accompaniments as are usually found only on the tables of the rich, contributed by Hon. F. S. Coolidge of Fitchburg, a native and former resident of Westminster. We trust that his example may be followed, and with each recurring Christmas, some one may gladden the hearts of our unfortunates, by a similar act of charity.

HOBART RAYMOND, WESTMINSTER, Chairman,
 JESSE ALLEN, OAKHAM, Secretary,
 F. S. HOLT, HOLDEN, Treasurer,
 JOHN ADAMS, HUBBARDSTON,
 H. H. PIKE, PAXTON,
 HENRY A. KENNEN, RUTLAND,

Board of Management.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

The following report of the Overseers of the Poor for the year ending Feb. 1, 1895, is respectfully submitted.

Three persons have been supported at the Almshouse in Holden for all or a part of the year.

NAMES.	WEEKS.	DAYS.
Rose Roane,	52	365
Louisa Smith,	47	332
Austin Preston,	44	306

143 weeks and 2 days.

Expense for the same at \$2.54 $\frac{1}{2}$ a week, \$364 65

EXPENSES.

Paid C. W. Woods, rent for Mrs. Ed. Clark,	\$ 3 50
C. W. Woods, rent for Mrs. Ed. Clark,	3 35
L. W. Reid, mending clothes of Austin Preston,	1 00
Geo. R. Spooner, attending Albert E. Clark,	64 00
F. W. Hatstat, aid for C. W. Bowers,	25 00
R. C. Prescott, burial of Mrs. R. Sawyer,	8 50

John F. Davis, board for L. W. Soney,	\$10 00
Dr. W. E. Chamberlin, for L. W. Soney,	33 00
C. W. Allen, hospital bill,	51 07
E. C. Dudley, rent and wood for Mrs. Ed. Clark,	15 00
H. A. Kennen, moving Mrs. Ed. Clark,	2 50
H. Converse, bill, Mrs. Ed. Clark,	47 80
H. Converse, bill, A. E. Clark,	37 82
Hospital bill for John Delhanty,	13 46
Town of Dana for Mrs. Martin,	113 90
Dr. Sawyer, attending Mrs. Otis Demond,	16 00
E. W. Merreck, bill,	8 25
H. Converse for Albert E. Clark,	8 83
H. Converse for Mrs. Ed. Clark,	30 36
H. Converse for N. Brigham,	18 45
H. Converse for Mrs. Otis Demon,	5 08
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	\$516 85
Amount of Town Orders,	\$831 87

Expenses of each person helped, outside the Association, having settlement in this town but residing elsewhere:

Mrs. Ed. Clark,	\$102 51
Albert E. Clark,	110 65
Mrs. Otis Demon,	21 08
John Delhanty,	13 46
Mrs. Hannah Martin,	113 90

Having a settlement and residing in the Town:

C. W. Allen,	\$51 07
L. W. Soney,	43 00

Residing here but have a settlement elsewhere:

Newell Brigham, \$18 45

C. W. Bowers, 25 00

The two above are due from other towns.

C. W. Allen's is due from the State, 51 07

Total, \$94 52

Net expense for supporting the Poor for the year, \$777.00.

Received from Town of Bolton on C. W. Bowers',	\$40 00
S. Parker, auction bill,	<u>47 50</u>
	\$87 50

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. KENNEN,	} Overseers
HENRY CONVERSE,	
G. W. COWDEN,	
	of
	Poor.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

OF THE

Financial Condition of the Town for the year ending

FEBRUARY 15, 1895.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer during the past year 346 orders amounting to the sum of \$8,917.69.

The appropriations of the Town were as follows:

State Tax,	\$460 00	
County Tax,	527 00	
Town Grant,	10,890 75	
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Total Tax,		\$11,877 75

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

To Revere Bank, Boston,	11,000 00	
People's Savings Bank, Worcester,	5,000 00	
Geo. A. Putnam,	300 00	
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		\$16,300 00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from Henry Converse, Trustee,	1,460 00	
" " John E. O'Leary,	900 00	
" " Five Cent Bank Fund,	500 00	
" " State Aid,	300 00	
" " Town Treasurer,	7,128 28	
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		\$10,288 28
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Balance against the Town,		6011 22
Showing a gain in favor of the Town, in the past 12 months, of		\$2155 82

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Geo. A. Putnam,	\$34 35
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SELECTMEN.

Paid M. R. Moulton,	46 00
F. G. Bartlett,	36 00
T. Sibley Heald,	34 00
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	\$116 00

ASSESSORS.

Paid C. R. Bartlett,	\$41 25
C. W. Dodge,	47 25
Wm. C. Temple,	43 75
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	\$132 25

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid Henry A. Kennen,	\$40 00
Geo. W. Cowden,	2 00
Henry Converse,	10 00
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	\$52 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Walter A. Hunter,	\$41 27
Wm. C. Temple	30 00
Franklin Hathaway,	52 62
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	\$123 89

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Paid C. W. Dodge,	\$150 00
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CONSTABLES.

Paid J. Warren Moulton,	\$29 55
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SEXTONS.

Paid Roland C. Prescott,	\$34 50
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LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. F. R. Foster,	\$52 00
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TRUANT OFFICER.

Paid Geo. S. Putnam,	\$6 50
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CATTLE INSPECTOR.

Paid Frank G. Bartlett,	\$97 00
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid Geo. A. Putnam,	\$8 00
M. R. Moulton,	6 00
F. G. Bartlett,	6 00
T. Sibley Heald,	4 50
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	\$24 50

AUDITOR.

Paid F. R. Foster,	\$6 00
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SNOW BILLS.

Paid W. W. Prescott,	\$10 50
James Hammond,	39 67
James Scott,	67
Wendell Browning,	4 07
George P. Calhoun,	11 66
S. B. Bray,	3 96
M. M. Smith,	7 73
J. M. Valley,	14 02
M. & J. Wihin,	4 30
George H. Rice,	10 37
S. E. Winch,	21 32
E. Wellington,	20 00
S. D. Taylor,	2 00

B. Wesley Putnam,	1 38
Leroy S. Putnam,	4 83
J. Henderson,	22 34
George P. Woodis,	1 16
E. Acker,	7 50
S. B. Bray,	6 00
A. G. Steinburg,	13 83
D. R. Wheeler,	13 81
E. H. Crosby,	3 84
M. Scott,	5 66
E. Williams,	5 01
C. W. Putnam,	5 00
A. Hatstat,	28 20
Paul Loughman,	5 51
George Loughman,	3 37
Joseph Davis,	36 15
Henry B. Davis,	3 84
W. H. Prescott,	19 26
W. G. Brodmuckle,	6 50
M. Leary,	24 00
F. W. Hatstat,	17 80
C. A. Stone,	2 14
C. A. Upham,	8 57
A. E. Seargent,	84 00
M. Cullon,	23 00
Thomas W. Connor,	5 66
L. H. Stearns,	5 67
Wm. E. Conners,	5 66
W. G. Wales,	22 75
Henry A. Kennen,	19 58
E. B. Wellington,	11 27
John Welch,	1 67
T. S. Heald,	20 66
E. R. Maynard,	2 83
H. W. Bemis,	1 50
C. A. Spooner,	21 66
P. Delehanty,	15 50
P. A. Scott,	9 58
Henry Moore,	27 37
H. J. Davis,	8 66
W. H. W. Gardner,	2 58
W. A. Hunter,	2 00
H. E. Wheeler,	6 50

Wm, J. Hunt.	14 52
A. F. Brown,	14 79
Zebulon Strong,	10 33
Joseph Strong,	8 33
Frank Strong,	8 33
P. Cahill,	7 83
Richard Cody,	9 80
Dennis O'Leary,	21 40
Daniel O'Leary,	59 66
J. W. Moulton,	2 50
Frank Forward,	29 50
W. J. Hunter,	9 62
Daniel McCarty,	11 00
Wm. J. Welsh,	41 66
George F. Goldwaithe,	36 16
R. C. Prescott,	2 80
George M. Taylor,	24 33
F. W. Hatstat,	7 17
E. Acker,	1 67
T. F. Campbell,	26 26
M. Cullen,	8 00
J. W. Monroe,	8 08
E. C. Dudley,	23 17
S. B. Bray,	8 83
C. A. Spooner,	3 69
A. E. Sargeant,	13 82
B. Wesley Putnam,	1 25
M. D. Putnam,	11 92
E. Nador,	62
M. E. Griffin,	2 08
Wm. H. Prescott,	3 25
John Welch,	7 65
M. Leary,	3 50
J. M. Moulton,	83
E. Mellen,	5 83
Zebulon Strong,	5 83
T. S. Heald,	17 84
H. A. Kennen,	10 80
C. R. Bartlett,	11 67
George S. Putnam,	3 60
H. E. Smith,	4 95
F. D. Forbush,	11 50
C. H. Wesson,	1 20

T. H. Connor,	\$3 00
George H. Miles,	13 14
George A. Fay,	8 95
E. C. Moorhouse,	2 00
F. Hathaway,	4 83
Leroy S. Putnam,	1 67
Orville Hodgkins,	5 66
H. J. Davis,	4 97
C. H. Wesson,	2 24
Charles Parker,	3 33
W. W. Prescott,	2 50
A. G. Steinburg,	2 83
Daniel McCarty,	1 50
F. G. Bartlett,	15 86
Wm. D. Hatch,	4 32
B. F. Browning,	5 01
Geo. H. Rice,	2 04
A. Hatstat,	78
Lakeville Woolen Co.,	7 40
Dennis O'Herron,	33 67
H. P. Davis,	75
George P. Woodis,	1 17
H. E. Brigham,	12 15
W. H. Hammond,	18 91
Edward Heard,	5 50
Wm. C. Temple,	4 20
D. R. Wheeler,	1 58
J. P. Henderson,	1 60
L. H. Stearns,	2 33
Daniel Demond,	16 04
Daniel O'Leary,	11 60
Joseph Davis,	5 16
L. S. Brigham,	5 25
George P. Calhoun,	5 25
George W. Cowden,	17 50
Dennis O'Leary,	2 00
Wm. Rafferty,	2 83
T. S. Heald,	4 81
J. Supernor,	2 59
H. A. Kennen,	13 50
C. R. Bartlett,	11 33
Henry B. Davis,	2 73
J. S. Mitchell,	2 50

J. M. Moulton,
Mason R. Sargeant,

3 33
10 05

\$1517 33

INCIDENTALS.

Paid Henry A. Kennen, guide boards,	\$6 20
Henry A. Kennen, freight,	1 30
E. H. Tripp, printing,	52 80
S. Prouty, insurance,	10 00
Peter O'Connor, (scraper,)	27 80
Peter O'Connor, street light,	3 00
E. W. Coffin,	6 00
Hebb Waite, highway tools,	6 73
F. S. Howe, highway lumber,	6 04
S. Prouty, insurance,	5 00
B. & M. R. R., freight,	1 30
American Powder Co. for highway,	10 20
M. R. Moulton, printing,	3 75
F. S. Hunt, lumber for hall,	38 50
Ross Brothers, town pump,	6 91
E. T. Raymond, hand cuffs,	6 00
George Tyler & Co., highway supplies,	8 50
H. A. Kennen, freight,	1 80
E. H. Tripp printing,	33 00
J. B. Wells, cemetery,	24 33
George A. Putnam, surveying,	75
George A. Putnam, Old Cemetery,	24 85
S. W. Fay, Old Cemetery,	45 45
Amos Strong, highway tools,	1 55
E. B. Creme, lumber,	9 00
Henry B. Davis, paint,	10 00
George H. Miles, repairs on scraper,	1 50
M. R. Moulton, printing,	4 00
Wm. E. Chamberlin, returns,	4 00
Wesby & Sons., library,	10 80
F. P. Goulding,	20 00
J. W. Moulton, court fees,	7 31
C. M. Kennedy, town hall,	48
Stillman J. Fletcher,	1 50
Peter O'Connor, repairs on highway tools,	11 10
Peter O'Connor, street lights,	10 00

George A. Putnam,	\$2 75
Wm. C. Temple, library,	4 50
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	\$428 70

STATE AND MILITARY AID.

Paid for the month of Feb., 1894,	\$39 00
March, 1894,	39 00
April, 1894,	39 00
May, 1894,	39 00
June, 1894,	39 00
July, 1894,	31 00
Aug., 1894,	31 00
Sept., 1894,	31 00
Oct., 1894,	23 00
Nov., 1894,	23 00
Dec., 1894,	31 00
Jan., 1895,	34 00
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	\$399 00

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Clerk,	\$34 35
Selectmen,	116 00
Assessors,	132 25
Overseers of Poor,	52 00
School Committee,	123 89
Collector and Treasurer,	150 00
Constable,	29 55
Sexton,	34 50
Librarian,	52 00
Cattle Inspection,	97 00
Truant Officer,	6 50
Registrars of Voters,	24 50
Auditor,	6 00
Highway bills,	1822 53
Snow bills,	1518 83
School bills,	3053 25

Overseers' orders,	\$831 87
Incidentals,	428 67
State Aid,	399 00
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	\$8917 69

GUIDE BOARDS AND POSTS ERECTED,

One near S. B. Bray, corner,	Post and board new
One near E. C. Dudley's corner,	2 boards and post new
One at Junct. Barre and Paxton roads,	2 boards and post new
One at West Rutland Post office corner,	1 board.
One near Charles Pierce's	2 boards and post new
Two near Pat. Delehanty's corner	3 boards and 2 posts new
One near Miles Holden's corner	1 board
One at Meade's corner	2 boards
One near Muschopogue House	1 new board
Two near the Center Post office	2 new boards
One on Pound Hill	2 new boards
One near Daniel Nyhin's	1 board and post new
One near Walter Bartlett's	1 new board
One near Daniel Wheeler's	2 boards and post new
One near M. Myron Smith's	2 new boards
One near Maynard's corner	1 board and post new
One near George Holden's	1 board and post new
One at Greenleaf's corner	1 board and post new
One at Benjamin Allen's	1 board and post new
One near No. 1 School-house	2 boards and post new
One near Addison Child's	1 board and post new
One at New Boston corner	2 boards and post new
One near Brodmerkel's	2 boards and post new
One near Levi H. Stearns'	2 boards and post new
One near John Sargent's	2 boards and post new
One near Upham's corner	1 board and post new

41 boards. 27 new boards and 19 new posts.

A LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS, 1895.

IRA G. DUDLEY,
 LORENZO Q. SPAULDING,
 EDWARD F. PRESTON,
 ARTHUR F. BROWN,
 H. EDWARD WHEELER,
 FRANK D. FORBUSH,
 PAUL WHEELER,
 DENNIS A. SMITH,

JOHN W. ADAMS,
 JOHN W. MUNROE,
 D. F. SMITH,
 J. WARREN MOULTON,
 FRED B. STEARNS,
 ERA C. DUDLEY,
 ELBRIDGE ACKER,
 WM. H. PRESCOTT.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON,	} Selectmen of Rutland.
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

This certifies that I have this day examined the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer and Selectmen for the year ending Feb. 15, 1895, and find them correct, with vouchers on file.

F. R. FOSTER, Auditor.

Rutland, Feb. 14, 1895.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS.

As Superintendent of the Highways of the Town of Rutland I have received orders on the Treasurer for the amount of \$1822.53, which has been expended in the following manner:

EXPENDED FOR LABOR.

Paid James Scott,	\$117 67
James King,	89 17
Frank Baker,	129 60
Mr. Young,	13 50
Joshua Henderson,	189 60
James White,	77 50
Henry Kennen,	594 09
John Sheridan,	96 00
T. S. Heald,	10 50
N. Brigham,	2 25
James Brusco,	136 79
E. Parker,	11 25
John O'Leary,	231 80
Louis Baker,	10 50
A. E. Chickering,	14 00
L. S. Brigham,	13 39
T. S. Heald,	31 50
John Budrow,	53 42

\$1822 53

Extra money has been expended on account of dry weather, on places that were obliged to be repaired.

I would recommend that some action be taken in regard to the hill beyond Myron Smith's place, that it be graded, and the banks leveled off. It would be a great saving in the winter, and could be done at a small cost.

LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY.

1 Plow,	2 Picks,
2 Hand Scrapers.	4 Hoes,
2 Bush Scrapers,	1 Bog Hook,
5 Spades,	1 Hook,
1 Steel Bar,	1 Bush Scythe,
2 Rakes,	1 Stone Hammer,
1 Stump Puller,	1 Fork,
	1 Road Machine.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. KENNEN, Supt. of Roads.

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR & TREASURER

Town of Rutland in account with C. W. DODGE, Collector
and Treasurer.

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1894.		
March 5,	Amount brought forward from 1893,	\$6,903 30
31,	Rec'd of John E. O'Leary, on note,	100 00
31,	People's Savings Bank,	5000 00
May 5,	John Monroe, for road scraper,	15 50
June 4,	Citizen's National Bank,	2000 00
July 1,	John E. O'Leary, on note,	126 25
Sept. 19,	Miles Holden, butcher's license,	1 00
19,	Henry Converse, butcher's license,	1 00
19,	John W. Steinbergh, butcher's license,	1 00
Oct. 2,	Central Courts, for fines,	06
6,	Gus Souderland, butcher's license,	1 00
Dec. 1,	Geo. A. Fay, butcher's license,	1 00
10,	State Treasurer,	385 12
23,	County Treasurer, dog tax,	187 97
1895.		
Jan. 19,	G. W. Hudson, care of town house, '93,	4 46
26,	State Treasurer, income of Mass.	
	School fund,	200 00
30,	S. W. Trowbridge, court fines,	13 00
Feb. 14,	State, County and Town tax,	11,877 75
14,	Clayton Adams, butcher's license,	1 00
14,	Interest on Taxes,	140 31
14,	Cash received from Town of Bolton,	40 00
		<hr/> \$26,999 91

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1894.		
Feb.	16, Paid Order of abatement of taxes to Mrs. A. J. Pierce,	\$ 7 50
March	8, People's Savings Bank, interest,	60 00
	14, State Treasurer, note,	1,000 00
	14, State Treasurer, interest,	240 00
	31, People's Savings Bank,	4,000 00
	31, People's Savings Bank, interest,	36 48
	31, Worcester Five Cent Savings Bank,	500 00
	31, " " " " " int.,	7 08
	31, Wm. W. Moore, interest,	12 50
Sept.	15, State Treasurer, interest on notes,	220 00
Oct.	2, People's Savings Bank, interest,	100 00
	2, County Treasurer, county tax,	263 50
Nov.	3, George A. Putnam, interest on note,	22 00
Dec.	4, Citizen's Nat. Bank, note and interest,	2,040 00
	4, Alva W. Bigelow, interest on J. W. Bigelow note,	60 00
	10, County Treasurer, bal. on county tax,	263 50
	10, State Treasurer, State Tax,	460 00
	31, Alva W. Bigelow, J. W. Bigelow note and interest,	1,004 75
	31, Worcester Five Cent Savings Bank for Sinking Fund,	500 00
1895.		
Feb.	11, Order of abatements on 1892 tax,	44 00
	11, Order of abatements on 1893 tax,	12 00
	11, Order of abatements on 1894 tax,	45 64
	14, To 1892 Taxes unpaid,	48 24
	14, 1893 Taxes unpaid,	940 61
	14, 1894 Taxes unpaid,	5,511 70
	14, 346 Town Orders,	8,917 69
	14, Cash on hand,	682 73
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		\$26,999 91

Town debt Feb. 15, 1894, \$18,300 00
 Town debt Feb. 15, 1895, 16,300 00

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. DODGE, Treasurer.

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1895.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded
for 1894.

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE OF BIRTH 1894.
Bernice Louise,	Frederick S. & Abbie R. (Wales) Hunt,	Jan. 8
Mildred Evelyn,	William J. & Ida L. (Foster) Hunt,	Jan. 9
John Warren,	J. Warren & May Belle (Taylor) Moulton,	Jan 12
Albert Warren,	Warren H. & Mary (Coddington) Handy,	Jan. 20
Lewis,	Joseph & Loe (Flibbert) Sharon,	Jan. 23
Beatrice,	Gust & Augusta (Berglund) Soderlund,	Jan. 24
Lizzie Belle,	Gustaf & Charlotte E. (Wellington) Hedstrom,	Feb. 13
William,	John J. & Margaret L. (Donnelly) Welsh,	Mar. 22
Violet May,	William A. & Margaret (Earle) Wetmore,	Mar. 26
Herbert Gordon,	Herbert W. & Mary L. (Miles) Calkin,	Mar. 27
Earl Clifton,	John H. & Jennie E. (Miles) Griffin,	Mar. 28
Genevieve Lenoir,	Samuel E. & Cyrene L. (Flint) Winch,	Apr. 8
Herbert Milton,	George F. & Addie R. (Baker) Handy,	May 28
Arthur Bertram,	Anefiou O. & Minnie C. (Cummings) Chickering,	May 31
Lillie May,	Peter M. & Annie B. (Broderick) Largess,	June 3
Frederick Henry,	George H. & Catharine M. (Cullens) Rice,	June 18
Minnie May,	John P. & Annie B. (McKay) Henderson,	July 4
Francis Cornelius,	Micheal & Catharine J. (O'Leary) Gleason,	Sept. 7
Homer Franklin,	Frank D. & Jennie E. (Campbell) Forbush,	Sept. 22
Guy Hazelton,	Frank L. & Charlotte L. (Pierce) Cheever,	Sept. 27
Flora May,	Charles T. & Lillian J. (Ramsey) Hurd,	Oct. 10
Elmer Willard,	Benj. F. & Isabel A. (King) Townsend,	Oct. 28
Gertrude May,	Joseph P. & Emma M. (Harper) Hinds,	Nov. 11

Fannie Isabelle, George H. & Etta L. (Miles) Miles, Nov. 14
 Ida, Roland C. & Joanna K. (Cutler) Prescott, Dec. 17
 Newell, Charles E. & Jessie B. (Healy) Moorhouse, Dec. 23
 Elizabeth, Peter S. & Mary E. (Hunt) O'Connor, Aug. 23
 Joseph Wendell, Joseph M. & Louise C. (Somers)
 Moulton, March 3

MARRIAGES.

1893.

May 1, Joseph M. Moulton of Rutland and Louise C.
 Somers of West Barnet, Vt.
 Oct. 25, William I. Thompson of Worcester and Mary E.
 Browning of Rutland.

1894.

Jan. 24, Herbert W. Wheeler and Martha E. Smith, both
 of Rutland.
 Jan. 24, Willie M. Amidon of Worcester and M. Josephine
 Butterfield of Rutland.
 Feb. 1, James Hammond and Vara A. Stearns, both of
 Rutland.
 April 26, John B. McKay and Dotie A. Luce, both of Rutland.
 May 30, Joseph P. Hinds and Emma May Harper, both of
 Rutland.
 Aug. 22, George A. Hatstat and Emma L. Strong, both of
 Rutland.
 Sept. 3, Ingraham E. B. Ryder and Elizabeth E. Davis,
 both of Boston.
 Sept. 15, Forest A. Kennen and Mabel R. Charter, both of
 Rutland.
 Sept. 25, Joseph A. Strong and Sarah A. Joney, both of
 Rutland.
 Sept. 24, Charles H. Morse and Cora L. (Harwood) Locke,
 both of Rutland.
 Nov. 19, Patrick Murphy of Rutland and Mary Duggan of
 Milton.
 Dec. 2, Henry Trestor of Montreal, Can. and Malinda
 Hanff of Rutland.
 Dec. 25, Richard Cody, Jr. and Mary Cabno, both of
 Rutland.

DEATHS.

DATE.	NAMES.	AGE.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
1894.		yrs. mos. ds.	
Feb. 26,	Harold Leroy Lawless,	3 7	Pneumonia.
March 1,	Dennis Gleason,	79	Old age and probably heart trouble.
	3, Luther Ernest Williams,	2 6 3	Spinal Meningitis.
	22, John Warren Bigelow,	85 9 27	Heart disease.
	24, Ellen Bolton Demond,	36 11	Cancer.
April 8,	Mrs. Helen Hannah Welch,	50 10 23	Cancer.
May 4,	Benjamin Allen,	82 2 6	Petrolinm Oil poisoning.
	16, Daniel W. O'Leary,	35 6 27	Consumption.
	28, George Alfred Gates,	73 8	Cerebral hemor- rhage.
June 30,	Mrs. Catharine A. Connell,	37 10 0	Malignant tumor
July 10,	Nils Gillberg,	79 11 10	Cancer.
	16, Elias F. Meade,	72 7 16	Heart disease.
Aug. 23,	Elizabeth O'Connor,		Lung trouble.
	28, Mrs. Mary Ann Taylor,	70 6 21	Paralysis.
Nov. 28,	Clara J. Persons Frisk,	16 8 11	Pneumonia.
Dec. 12,	Henry Moore,	68 1 8	Paralysis of heart.
	23, Mrs. Anna M. Calhoun,	62 5 5	Cerebral hemorrhage.
	and 1 still-born.		

The number of Dogs licensed in 1894, was

112 male dogs, at \$2.00,	\$224 00
2 female dogs, at \$5.00,	10 00

\$234 00
Fees for registration,
22 80

Paid to County Treasurer. \$211 20

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PUTNAM, Town Clerk.

RUTLAND, FEB 11, 1895.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE FREE

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Balance of last year,	\$51 71	
Appropriation,	74 96	
Received from non-residents for use of library,	7 70	
Received for fines,	6 12	
Received for Catalogues,	1 70	
	<hr/>	\$142 19

EXPENDITURES.

Salary of Librarian,	\$52 00	
Paid J. S. Wesby for re-binding books,	10 80	
Paid for new books,	4 50	
Paid for covering books,	1 20	
	<hr/>	\$68 50
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		\$73 69

Of this unexpended balance, about one-half is in the hands of the Trustees, and the remainder is due from the Town, on unused appropriations for the past few years.

If the usual appropriation is granted to the Library, the coming year, it is the intention of your Trustees to very soon purchase a supply of new books.

The number of books taken from the Library, during the year, is 2833, an increase of 488 over last year.

Three books have been purchased, namely:

- 1561 Walks in London, by A. J. C. Hare.
 1562 London of To-day, by Chas. E. Pascoe.
 1563 London in 1894, by Herbert Fry.

There have been twenty-two bound volumes kindly donated, viz:

1544	13th Mass. Volunteers,	by	C. E. Davis, Jr
1545	52nd Mass. Volunteers,		J. T. Moore
1546	54th Black Regiment,		L. T. Emilir
1547	Folly As It Flies,		Fanny Fern
1548	White as Snow,		Ruth Gassett
1549	The Silence of the Voice of God,		F. W. Farrar
1550	Malbone,		T. W. Higginson
1551	Emily Chester.		
1552	The Harneys,		Henry Kingsley
1553	Memoirs and Correspondence of Madam Recamier,		I. M. Luyester
1554	The Confessions of a Child of the Century,		A. D. E. Musset
1555	Mary St. John,		Casy
1556	Penny Come Quick,		S. Baring-Gould
1557	A Tilted Maiden,		C. T. Mason
1558	In the Heart of the Storm,		Maxwell Gray
1559-60	Marcella,		Mrs. H. Ward
1564	Pembroke,		Mary Williams
1565	Sumpter to Roanoke,		Wm. M. Thayer
1566	Roanoke to Murfreesboro,		" " "
1567	Murfreesboro to Fort Pillow,		" " "
1568	Fort Pillow to the End.		" " "

We feel it our duty to again call attention to the rough usage, which many of the books have received, and have instructed the Librarian to demand pay for all unnecessary damages to books.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. TEMPLE,
 MRS. SARAH MUNROE,
 MRS. H. R. SPAULDING, } Trustees
 of the
 Library

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE OLD BURIAL GROUND.

GENTLEMEN;

Your Committee chosen at the annual meeting of March, 1890, "to right up the Headstones and improve the old Burial Ground," submit to you the following report:

About the middle of September last we began work by digging off the sod and seperating the brush, digging the loam low enough to bury the sod below the loam, taking up the Headstones and digging out a place to set them in gravel, and leveling off the ground. We worked over about one-third or more of an acre, of the worst part of it. The expense for the work and drawing gravel was \$94.63 leaving of the sum of \$100 appropriated, \$5.37. We intended to have seeded the ground just before winter set in, but the snows came too soon for us. A good part of the northly part of the ground we think can be plowed and harrowed a few times and leveled cheaper, as there are not many headstones in that part of it. We would recommend another appropriation to do another part or enough to finish the whole.

Respectfully,

JOHN B. WELLS,	} Committee.
STEPHEN W. FAY,	
GEORGE A. PUTNAM,	

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

TOWN OF RUTLAND,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1895.

REPORT OF THE School Committee of the Town of Rutland, FOR THE YEAR 1894.

FELLOW CITIZENS:

In obedience to the law of the Commonwealth, we herewith submit our report of the Public Schools for the year 1894.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

Population of the Town, U. S. Census 1890,	980
Number of persons in town, May 1st, 1894, between the ages of five and fifteen,	152
Number between eight and fourteen,	114
Whole number of different pupils registered in the schools,	212
Average membership,	180.45
Average attendance,	163.3
Per cent. of average attendance,	90.5

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Unexpended balance of 1893,	\$ 131 35
Appropriations of 1894—	
Salaries and supplies,	1,500 00
Conveyance of pupils,	850 00
State school fund,	200 00
Dog fund,	100 00
Total,	————— \$2,781 35

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' Salaries,	\$1,876 50
Conveyance of pupils,	537 45
Books and supplies,	186 52
Fuel,	95 75
Janitors,	57 65
Total,	————— \$2,755 87
Unexpended balance,	25 48
	————— \$2,781 35

CONTINGENT.

Repairs and furnishings,	\$268 88	
Incidentals,	28 50	
Total,	<hr/>	\$297 38

BILLS APPROVED.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Marda M. Partridge,	\$ 51 50	
A. L. Saben,	450 00	
Alice R. Walker,	240 00	
M. A. Leamy,	80 00	
May L. Kennan,	210 00	
O. W. Hathaway,	80 00	
Nellie I. Ellis,	85 00	
Belle Goldthwaite,	70 00	
Myrtice Higgins,	140 00	
Alva A. Price,	180 00	
A. W. Davis,	70 00	
Hattie S. Bigelow,	140 00	
E. L. Naven,	80 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$1,876 50

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Ginn & Co.,	\$10 00
Maynard, Merrill & Co.,	1 68
American Book Co.,	16 97
Express,	3 20
American Book Co.,	22 72
E. Whitney,	10 22
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	24 30
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn,	19 18
Charles Hamilton,	5 00
King & Merrill,	4 60
A. L. Saben,	5 75
M. J. Kennady,	45
King & Merrill,	23 82
Silver, Burdette & Co.,	12 80
D. C. Heath & Co.,	1 50
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	14 31
Ginn & Co.,	3 13

Thompson, Brown & Co.,	68	
Henry Converse,	6 21	
Total,	<hr/>	\$186 52

CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS.

N. W. Leary,	\$ 35 00	
Arthur E. Sargent for 1893,	30 00	
Arthur E. Sargent,	45 00	
M. D. Potter,	124 95	
W. A. Hunter,	120 00	
Daniel O'Leary,	40 00	
James Scott,	10 00	
Wm. C. Temple,	40 00	
C. A. Hammond,	40 00	
A. O. Chickering,	7 50	
E. C. Dudley,	5 00	
George H. Miles,	40 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$537 45

FUEL.

Elliot Nadow,	\$ 2 00	
E. B. Wellington,	5 00	
F. D. Forbush,	8 00	
Dennis O'Leary,	75	
Anna B. McGann,	2 00	
Lewis Baker,	1 00	
C. A. Spooner,	5 00	
Zebulon Strong,	10 00	
W. A. Hunter,	15 00	
I. E. O'Leary,	10 00	
Joseph Davis,	12 50	
Charles R. Bartlett,	17 00	
Wm. C. Temple,	7 50	
Total,	<hr/>	\$95 75

JANITORS.

Anna B. McGann,	\$10 00
Bell Baker,	7 50
Arthur C. Smith,	1 65
Norman Pultz,	2 50
H. J. Davis,	7 50

Mrs. James Scott,	3 00	
Martin McGrath,	2 50	
Teachers,	23 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$57 65

CONTINGENT.

REPAIRS AND FURNISHINGS.

Geo. W. Hudson,	\$ 3 25	
P. O. Connor,	3 00	
Elwood Adams,	6 00	
F. C. Bigelow,	45	
E. G. Higgins,	9 96	
E. C. Dudley,	1 50	
T. A. Peterson,	3 01	
Lewis M. Hanff,	63 82	
Geo. S. Putnam, for last year,	15 00	
Joseph Davis,	2 20	
J. F. Davis,	36	
F. Hathaway,	56 03	
Vermont School Seat Co.	93 79	
W. A. Hunter,	8 26	
F. Hathaway,	2 25	
Total,	<hr/>	\$268 88

INCIDENTALS.

Town of Paxton,	\$20 00	
F. Hathaway,	8 50	
Total,	<hr/>	\$28 50

STATISTICS.

TEACHERS.	FOR THE FULL YEAR.			AVERAGE ATTENDANCE.	Average Wages per Mo.	No. of Pupils over 15 Years.	Number under 5 Years.	Number between 8 and 14.
	SCHOOL.	ENROLLMENT.	AVERAGE MEMB'SHIP.					
Octavia W. Hathaway, } Alva A. Price, } Nellie I. Ellis, } Arthur W. Davis, } E. L. Naven,	Center Primary West Rutland North Rutland South Pound Hill New Boston High	53 35 19 26 28 13 38	44. 29.5 13.5 24.92 24.9 11. 32.63	38.6 27.6 10.8 22.2 24.1 9.8 30.2	\$34.66 31.33 28.00 29.33 32.00 28.00 60.00	1 3 0 0 1 0 18	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	41 20 16 17 18 9 20

NUMBER OF SCHOOLS.

Seven schools have been maintained throughout the year, six primary and one high, divided into three terms of ten weeks each.

CONDITION AND CHARACTER OF THE SCHOOLS.

The general condition and character of the schools as a whole has been quite satisfactory, although there has been some friction in a few instances, injuring for the time being the character of the schools and the prospect of the scholars in getting their full benefit of the money expended. It is unnecessary to go into the full discussion of this matter, as we believe that all interested in the schools are endeavoring to do the best they can to elevate our schools to the highest standard possible, but we are so situated in this town that we cannot secure the best and most experienced teachers, but have to take those of no experience. This getting a teacher of no experience for some of the schools happens almost every term, and the teacher whose services we should like to secure longer, finds another field of labor with an increase of salary.

GRADED SCHOOLS.

What we have remarked in regard to the condition of our schools lead us to state what we think is the right and only method to bring our schools up to the standard of the times, is to take the necessary steps to have graded schools, having but one schoolhouse centrally located, fitted up with a sufficient number of rooms to accommodate all the scholars in the town, conveying all pupils to said schoolhouse living an unreasonable distance to walk. How the financial problem is to be solved to bring about this plan, is the question. The town of course will answer this question when they vote to have graded schools; also your school committee would have to solve the problem if they should undertake the job. We will admit on the start that the cost of a new building is a large item, but we would remind the voters of the town that the Assessors' valuation of the school buildings is six thousand dollars; only five of these houses are needed to accommodate all the scholars; five of the houses are not needed for school purposes, one of them is not of much account but the other four are comparatively new buildings, and should be cared for at some expense, and the other five houses that must be used for the present will have to be painted outside and otherwise repaired, especially the center house and either New Boston or North

Rutland house whichever one is decided to be used another year. So we recommend, sell the schoolhouses, retaining the furnishings, apparatus and all property that will answer for a new building. Said new building to be a five room building of modern style, plain and substantial, with basement, the rooms to accommodate 40 to 45 pupils each. Our schools thus situated could be better cared for with less expense, a saving in repairs, less number of teachers, better schools, and at the end of five years the financial problem will be out of the way, the town being a gainer instead of a loser in bringing about the change.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The high school has been maintained throughout the year with a good degree of success, taught by the same teacher as last year, but to secure his services we were obliged to increase his salary.

One of the regulations adopted and reported last year for the discipline of the school has proved to be of great advantage to the school. Said regulation is as follows, viz: When the conduct of a pupil is injurious to the discipline of the school, the principal shall suspend such pupil and report the case to the school board at once.

The graduating exercises of the class of 1894 were very interesting and enjoyed by a large number present on that occasion. The graduates sustained their parts with much credit to themselves, to the Principal and to the town.

REPAIRS.

We have expended quite a large sum for repairs on the West Rutland house for new seats and desks, papering, painting, new stove pipe. etc. Pound Hill comes next in amount for new tops on desks, curtains, papering, painting, etc.

The center house if it is to be used any length of time for a primary and high school should be put in better condition, especially in the lower room new furnishings are necessary; the foundation should be reset and pointed, and house painted outside, and, in fact all the houses need a new coat of paint outside.

MEMORIAL DAY.

This day was observed by all the schools as the law directs.

TRUANCY.

Only a few cases of truancy have occurred during the year, as we said in our last report, most of the non-attendance and irregularity of pupils, is chargeable to parents and guardians.

IN CONCLUSION.

We are pleased to say that our schools (considering the many obstacles in the way for the introduction of better methods in teaching) will compare favorably with the schools in other towns similarly situated.

To the teachers, parents and all that have shown an interest in the schools we extend our thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

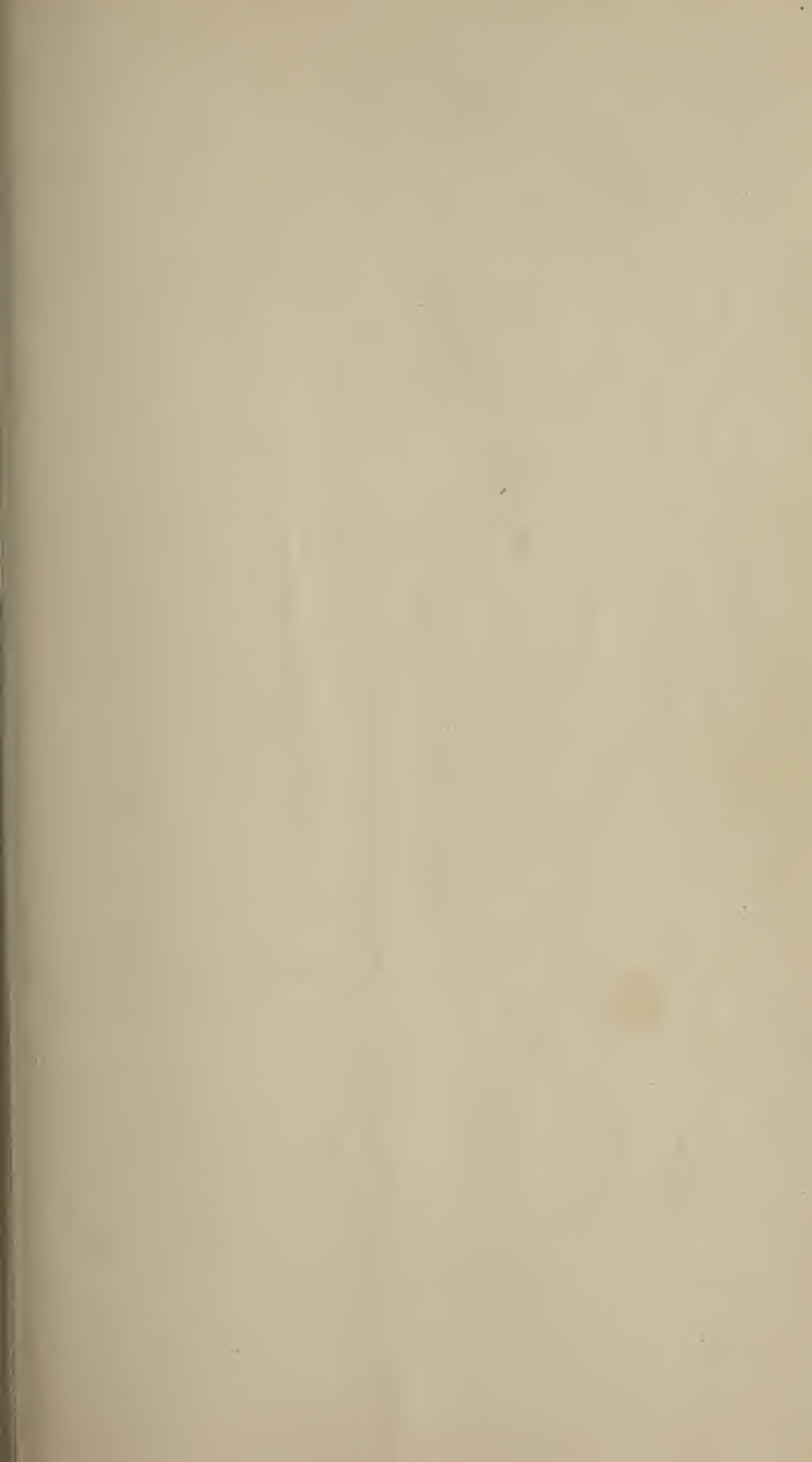
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W. C. TEMPLE,	

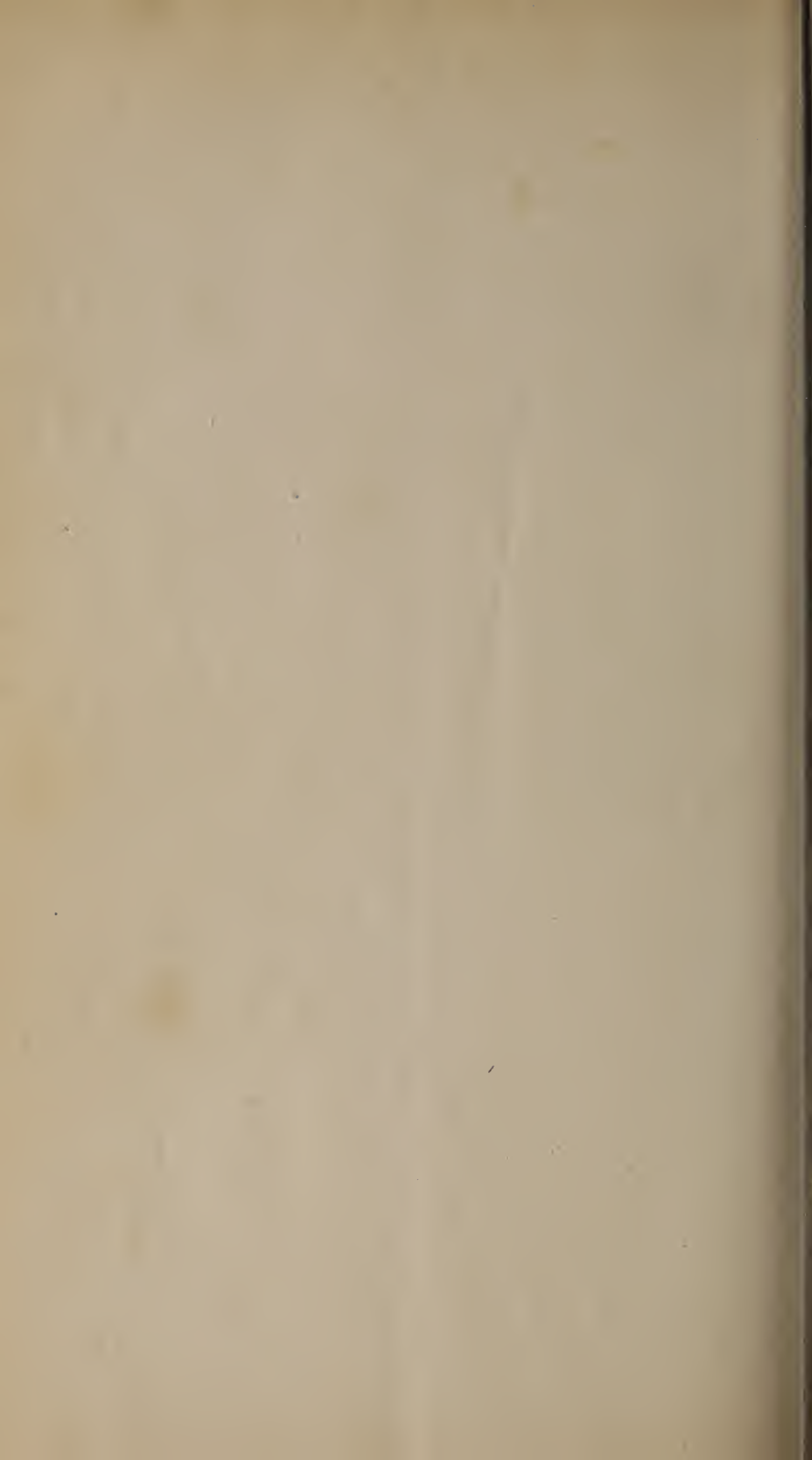
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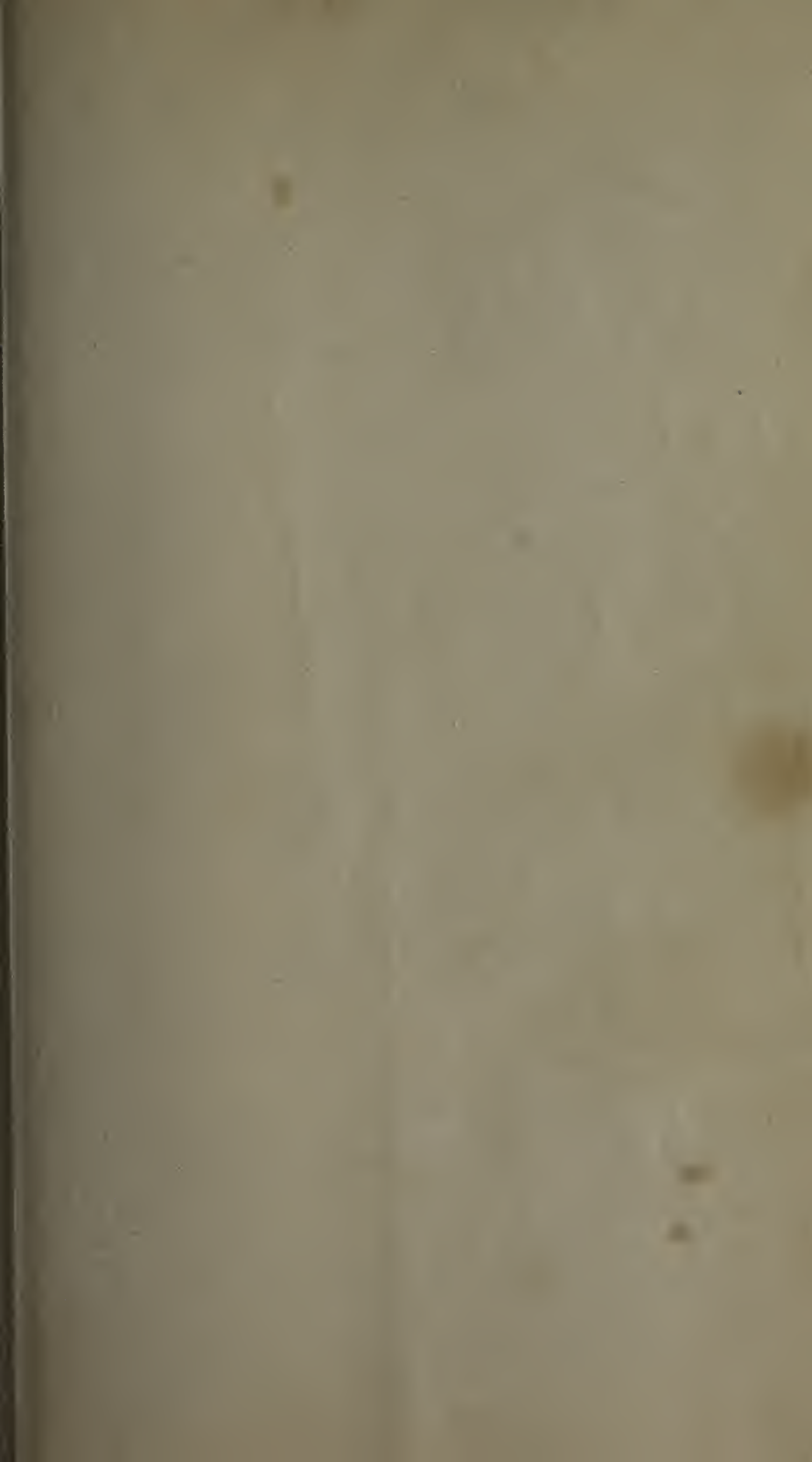
CHAPTER 203.

CONCERNING INJURY TO PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Section 78. Whoever wilfully and maliciously or wantonly and without cause destroys, defaces, mars or injures a schoolhouse, church or other public building erected or used for purposes of education or religious instruction or for the general diffusion of knowledge, or an outbuilding, fence, well, or appurtenances of such school, church or other building or furniture, apparatus or other property belonging to, or connected with such schoolhouse, church or other building, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the jail not exceeding one year.







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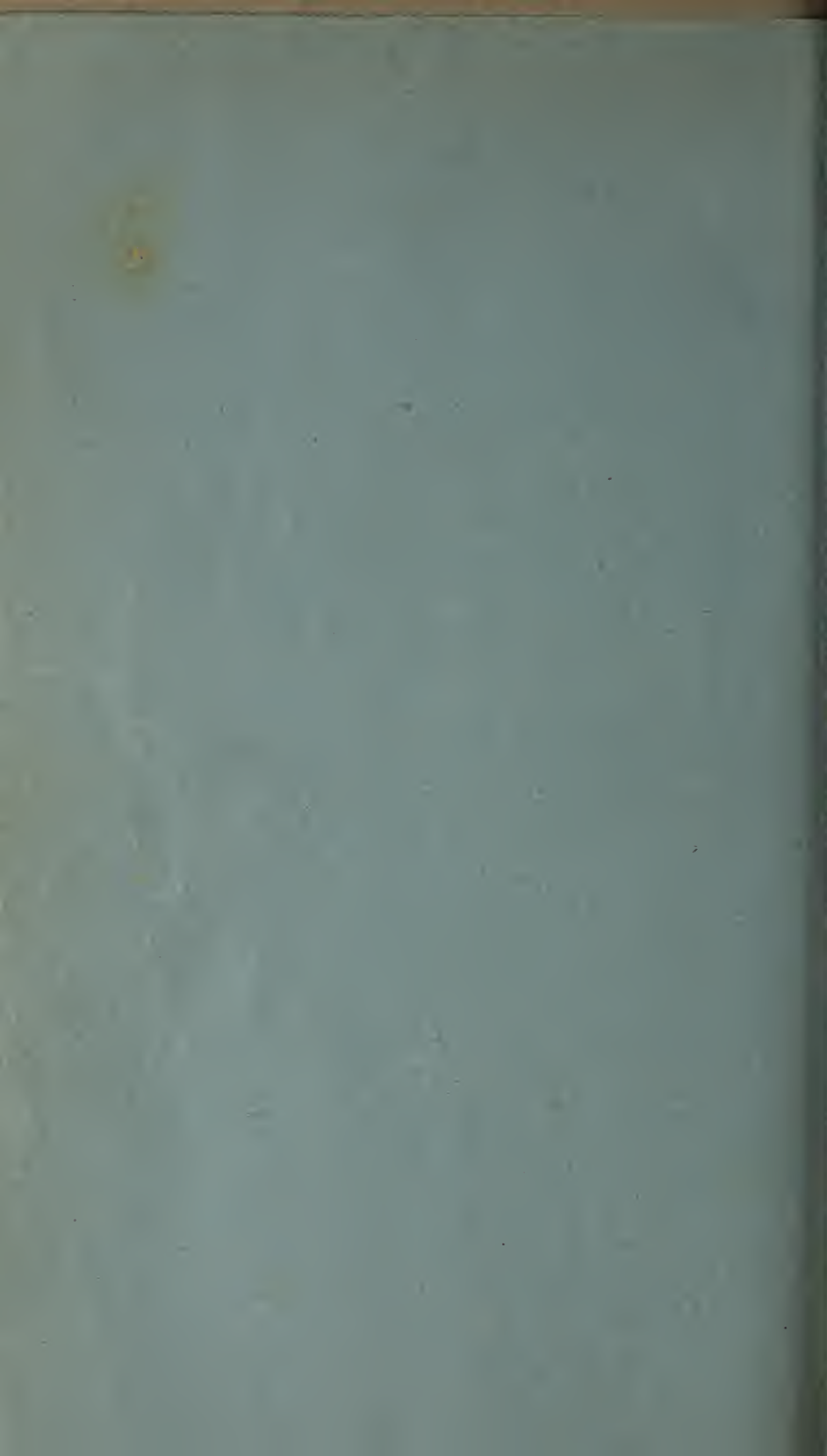
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WORCESTER PRINTING CO ,
26 SOUTHBRIDGE STREET, WORCESTER, MASS.

1896.

WARRANT

FOR

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 2, 1896.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER, SS. To J. WARREN MOULTON, CONSTABLE
FOR THE TOWN OF RUTLAND:

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Rutland, on Monday, the second day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1.—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2.—To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

ART. 3.—To see if the Town will accept of the reports of the various Town Officers and committees for the past year, or act thereon.

ART. 4.—To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools; for repairs on the Highways; for the support of the Poor; for State and Military Aid; for use on Memorial Day; for the Maintenance of Rutland Brass or Cornet Band; for Contingent Expenses paying Debts and for Transporting Scholars to and from the Public Schools.

- ART. 5.—To see what sum of money the Town will authorize their Water Commissioners to borrow when necessary for their use and make provision for the payment of the same.
- ART. 6.—To see if the Treasurer shall be Collector of Taxes, and determine the compensation of the same.
- ART. 7.—To see what interest shall be collected on Taxes not paid in a specified time.
- ART. 8.—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town under the approval of the Selectmen.
- ART. 9.—To see if the Town will authorize and instruct the Treasurer or some other person to collect all the money and interest of the Meade fund from Henry Converse, or his sureties on the Bond and take any legal process which may be necessary to accomplish the same.
- ART. 10.—To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees for the year ensuing.
- ART. 11.—To see if the Town will purchase a new Road Machine.
- ART. 12.—To see what the Town will take to have the Town House cared for.
- ART. 13.—To see if the Town will vote to discontinue a Town road commencing near J. W. Munroes and ending at land formerly owned by M. M. Smith.
- ART. 14.—To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors presented by the Selectmen.
- ART. 15.—To see if the Town will comply with the law in regard to Truant Scholars.
- ART. 16.—To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 431 of the act of 1888 and subsequent amendments relating to the employment of a Superintendent of Schools and appropriate money therefor.
- ART. 17.—To see what action the Town will take in regard to a suit now pending in the Superior Court at Worcester, on attachment by the inhabitants of Rut-

land versus Henry Converse, or act thereon.

ART. 18.—To vote by ballot Yes or No, to the question, Shall license be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Town.

ART. 19.—To see if the Town will instruct their Assessors to abate the Taxes on any new buildings which may be erected for manufacturing or other purposes in the Town for the term of five years, more or less, or act thereon.

ART. 20.—To see if the Town will instruct their Assessors to abate any Taxes in the hands of their Collector.

ART. 21.—To see if the Town will determine what is a reasonable distance for children to walk attending the Primary Schools, and adopt some method of conveyance of pupils living at an unreasonable distance, and fix the compensation of conveyance, or act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to the vote of said Town, one at each Post-office and one at the Congregational Church in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Fourteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

M. R. MOULTON,	} Selectmen of Rutland.
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Holden Poor Farm Association,

For the Year Ending January 31, 1896.

Respectfully submitted by the Board of Management.

INMATES RECEIVING SUPPORT.

Name.	Settlement.	Age.	Period of Support Began.	No. Days.
Martha Parker,	Holden,	57,	April 1, 1890, Continues.	365
Lizzie Kenney,	"	39,	April 1, 1890, "	365
Nahum S. Newton,	"	65,	Dec. 24, 1891, "	365
Peter King,	"	78,	Apr. 26, 1893, "	365
Patrick Doyle,	"	81,	Nov. 1, 1892, Died Oct. 8.	250

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Nancy Boynton,	Hubbardston,	57,	Apr. 1, '90, Continues.	365
David Rice,	"	77,	Apr. 1, '91, "	365
Moses Clark,	"	18,	May 26, '91, "	365
Mary W. Whitney,	"	16,	Dec. 18, '94, "	365
Elbridge G. Thatcher,	"	78,	Aug. 5, '92, Died May 17.	106
Joseph Granger,	"	79,	Jan. 23, '96, Continues.	8
Henry Clark,	"	16,	Dec. 16, '95, "	46
*Minnie Whitney,	"	1 yr. 10 mos.	Dec. 18, '94, "	152
†Maria Whitney,	"	55,	Dec. 18, '94, Left Sept. 17.	104
Mary LaCross,	"	45,	May 11, '95, Left May 14. '95.	3
Nellie LaCross,	"	11,	" " " " " "	3
Katie LaCross,	"	9,	" " " " " "	3
Mamie LaCross,	"	5,	" " " " " "	3
Case LaCross,	"	3,	" " " " " "	3
John Wilson,	"	59,	Dec. 27, '95, Continues.	35

1926

Eunice Walker,	Oakham,	70,	April 1, 1892, Continues.	365
Lavina B. Field,	"	71,	Oct. 31, 1894, "	365

730

*A charge of one-half price after one year old.

†Away 125 days.

Rosa Roen,	Rutland,	57,	July 22, 1893,	Continues.	365
Louisa Smith,	"	65,	May 6, 1894,	"	365
Austin Preston,	"	54,	Jan. 1, 1894,	"	365
Elizabeth Demond,	"	76,	May 6, 1895,	"	270
Louisa B. Clark,	"	43,	Nov. 19, 1895,	"	73
*Ernest E. Clark,	"	4,	" " " " " " " "	Left Jan. 16.	29
†William W. Clark,	"	2,	" " " " " " " "	"	29
Fred W. Clark,	"	19,	Jan. 6, 1896,	Continues.	25
John Kelley,	"	35,	Jan. 16, 1896,	"	15

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William Baker,	Westminster,	77,	Apr. 1, '92,	Died Apr. 14.	73
Adaline Eager,	"	55,	" " " " " " " "	Continues.	365
Margaret Cronin,	"	52,	" " " " " " " "	"	365
Sarah Blake,	"	57,	Jan. 24, '95,	Left Mar. 8.	36
‡Louisa Carter,	"	65,	Aug. 22, '95,	Continues.	147

986

Whole number of inmates, 36. Died, 3.

Left the institution, 9. Remaining, 24.

Total days board furnished, 6888 or 984 weeks.

Average weekly number, 18 12-13.

Handel Winship of Westminster has been a boarder throughout the year, and Miss Lois Brown has served as nurse for her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Desmond of Rutland, since her coming to the Institution.

RECEIPTS.

For milk sold,	\$903.14
" stock,	215.97
" eggs and poultry,	46.93
" vegetables,	86.55
" Handel Winship's board,	156.00
Due for Handel Winship's board,	52.00
" " January milk,	72.52

\$1533.11

*A charge of one-half price.

†A charge of one-half price.

‡Away 15 days.

EXPENSES.

Warden's and Matron's Salary,	\$508.40	
Outside Labor,	198.95	
Inside Labor,	144.50	
Groceries,	578.20	
Meat,	318.07	
Grain,	530.48	
Dry Goods and Clothing,	183.69	
Furniture,	93.92	
Boots and Shoes,	31.21	
Fish,	26.82	
Ice,	11.40	
Medical attendance,	66.00	
Medicine,	13.91	
Sundries,	113.87	
Blacksmithing and Repairs,	29.37	
Stock, 6 Cows,	323.00	
Pigs,	12.00	
Fowls,	27.00	
Fire Extinguishers,	5.00	
Fertilizer,	118.29	
Democrat Wagon,	65.00	
Corn Planter,	22.00	
Wood,	40.00	
Lumber,	14.25	
Rent,	200.00	
Interest on Personal Property,	120.99	
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		\$3796.32
Deducting receipts,		1533.11
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Balance, (net expense,)		\$2263.21
Cost of board per week for each inmate, \$2.30.		

THE EXPENSE TO EACH TOWN IS AS FOLLOWS:

Holden,	\$561.86
Hubbardston,	632.83
Oakham,	239.86
Rutland,	504.69

Westminster,
Paxton,

323.97
Nothing.

\$2263.21

THE FOLLOWING TABLE MAY BE OF INTEREST.

	Number of Inmates.	Weekly Average.	Total No. Weeks.	Cost per Week.
First year,	12	7.7-26	377.5-7	\$2.875
Second year,	16	11.7-26	586	2.243 plus
Third year,	26	21.25-26	1142	1.959 plus
*Fourth year,	30	22.37-306	967	2.232 plus
Fifth year,	30	1889 plus	982.2-7	2.545 plus
Sixth year,	36	18.12-13	984	2.30

Only three inmates have answered to the final summons during the past year, and the health of the others has been as good as could be expected, they have been well provided for and kindly treated by the Warden and Matron. The returns from the farm have been good. Six cows have been purchased to replace those which it had become unprofitable to longer retain. Paxton has again been fortunate in having no one to provide for at the Almshouse. Hon. F. S. Coolidge of Fitchburg, repeated his generous donation of last year, by again providing an elaborate turkey dinner for Christmas.

HOBART RAYMOND, Westminster, President.

JESSE ALLEN, Oakham, Secretary.

F. S. HOLT, Holden, Treasurer.

JOHN ADAMS, Hubbardston.

HENRY A. KENNAN, Rutland.

HENRY H. PIKE, Paxton.

Board of Management.

*Ten Months.

REPORT

OF THE

Overseers of the Poor.

The following report of the Overseers of the Poor for the year ending February 1, 1896, is respectfully submitted.

Nine persons have been supported at the Almshouse in Holden for all or part of the year.

NAMES.	YEARS.	DAYS.
Rose Roane,	57	365
Louisa Smith,	65	365
Mrs. Elizabeth Demond,	76	270
Mrs. Edmund Clark,	43	73
Austin Preston,	54	365
Ernest Clark,	4	29
William Clark,	2	29
Frederick Clark,	19	25
John Kelly,	35	15

1536

Expense per week for each inmate, \$2.30.

Expense at Holden Association, \$504.69.

EXPENSES.

Paid H. A Crawford for rent for Mrs. Demond,	\$ 7.50
" " " " "	6.00
A. J. Pierce for coal for	3.76
Dr. Sawyer for	74.00
Miss Brown for care of	17.29
William Peck, moving of	12.00
H. Converse for groceries for	6.54
Town Farm Association,	125.00
H. Converse for Noel Brigham's family,	40.60

Joel Sten for wood for Brigham's family,	4.25
Mr. Kennedy, bill for " "	8.28
Dr. Chamberlain, bill for " "	11.00
H. A. Kennan's expenses to Brookfield and Dana,	11.00
John Keep for wood for Mrs. Demond,	5.00
Town Farm Association,	100.00
Sanford & Co., for paper and lettering,	1.50
F. B. Stearns, trip to Dana with team,	15.00
Geo. Hatstat, for goods for Mr. Bowers,	10.00
Samuel Sherman for board for Clark family,	6.00
Town Farm Association,	100.00
Town Farm Association,	100.00
H. A. Kennan's expenses to Dana,	5.50
Town of North Brookfield, aid for Mrs. Clark,	39.00
City of Worcester for Austin Preston,	18.57
Dr. L. E. Dienne for Eugene Clark,	4.50
Town Farm Association,	50.00
Springfield Hospitable bill for Ruth Leadbetter,	53.50
Town of Dana, aid for Mrs. Hannah Martin,	86.25
Town of Brookfield, aid for Mrs. Clark,	10.00
E. W. Merrick for care of twenty-two tramps,	5.50
Town Farm Association,	29.69
Mr. Sherman for care of Frank B. Clark,	37.00
Mr. Samuel Sherman for care of Henry C. Clark,	13.50

Total, \$1017.73

Received from town of Oxford and Bolton, 102.58

Net expense for support of poor for the year, \$915.15

Expenses of each person helped, outside the Association,
having settlement in this town but residing elsewhere :

Mrs. Edmund Clark,	\$55.00
Mrs. Hannah Martin,	86.25
Miss Ruth Leadbetter,	53.50
Frank B. Clark,	37.00
Henry C. Clark,	13.50
Mrs. Otis Demond,	128.59
Mr. Eugene Clark,	4.50

\$378.34

Residing here but have a settlement elsewhere:

Noel Brigham family,	\$82.58
C. W. Bowers,	20.00

\$102.58

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY A. KENNAN,	} Overseers of Poor.
D. F. SMITH,	
GEORGE W. COWDEN,	

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

OF THE

Financial Condition for the Year

ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1896.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer during the past year, 284 orders amounting to \$8,184.58.

The appropriations of the Town were as follows:

State Tax,	\$315.00
County Tax,	490.00
Town Grant,	7,000.00
Overlayings,	507.00
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	\$8,312.00

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Revere Bank, Boston,	\$10,000.00
People's,	6,500.00
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	\$16,500.00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from Henry Converse, Trustee,	\$1,520.00
" " John E. O'Leary,	800.00
" " Five Cent,	1,020.10
" " State Aid,	350.00
" " Tax Bills and Cash on Hand,	6,358.34
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	\$10,048.44

Showing a balance against the Town of 6,451.56

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.

Lewis M. Hanff,	\$43.75
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SELECTMEN.

M. R. Moulton,	\$50.00
F. G. Bartlett,	36.00
T. Sibley Heald,	36.00

 \$122.00
ASSESSORS.

C. W. Dodge,	\$40.00
W. C. Temple,	37.50
A. F. Brown,	35.00

 \$112.50
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Henry A. Kennan,	\$48.00
David F. Smith,	9.00
George W. Cowden.	

 \$57.00
SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Walter A. Hunter,	\$47.34
William C. Temple,	33.00
Franklin Hathaway,	48.72

 \$129.06
COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

C. W. Dodge,	\$150.00
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CONSTABLES.

J. Warren Moulton,	\$15.10
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SEXTON.

Roland C. Prescott,	\$35.00
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LIBRARIAN.

Mrs. F. R. Foster,	\$52.00
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CATTLE INSPECTOR.

F. G. Bartlett,	\$114.00
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Lewis M. Hanff,	\$6.00
M. R. Moulton,	6.00
F. G. Bartlett,	6.00
T. Sibley Heald,	4.50

 \$22.50

AUDITOR.

Freeman R. Foster,	\$8.00
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BALLOT CLERK.

Arthur F. Brown,	\$2.00
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	\$862.91
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SNOW.

A. Steinburg,	\$ 7.25
Cora L. Morse,	5.45
E. Wellington,	2.65
G. Hedstrom,	.83
Thomas H. Conner,	8.84
F. H. Bryant,	6.38
George Smith,	1.37
George H. Miles,	10.04
F. Williams,	5.52
J. Henderson,	2.83
L. H. Stearns,	18.14
D. O. Herron,	23.34
M. Cullen,	12.67
A. E. Sargent,	37.58
Patrick Delehanty,	11.66
F. Aldrich,	3.67
James Scott,	7.82
John J. Welsh,	18.23
James White,	28.66
S. D. Taylor,	2.57
E. M. Davis,	6.87
W. R. Upham,	4.50
Charles Parker,	7.76
Joseph Davis,	27.40
W. H. Prescott,	13.30
George A. Fay,	5.16
H. E. Smith,	2.68
E. W. Bigelow,	6.16
George F. Goldwaithe,	14.47
George T. Calhoun,	17.08
John H. Griffin,	8.01
F. Williams,	2.94

T. S. Heald,	8.75
J. F. Davis,	4.42
George Graton,	2.50
W. A. Hamter,	3.19
W. Browning,	.42
C. T. Olliver,	1.83
Charles Parker,	12.25
George W. Hudson,	3.50
H. A. Kennan,	10.16
H. Steaves,	1.17
C. H. Butler,	35.16
Richard Cody,	10.49
John Metcalf,	2.00
Daniel McCarthy,	7.16
Joseph Strong,	7.16
Dennis O'Leary,	12.41
John E. O'Leary,	45.67
P. Cahill,	4.83
C. Joney,	6.83
John Adams,	3.54
Michael Loughman,	6.30
Charles R. Bartlett,	3.67
Stephen P. Allen,	8.77
Alfred Hatstatt,	8.00
E. C. Dudley,	24.00
W. W. Prescott,	6.08
B. Wesley Putnam,	1.67
William T. Brown,	4.95
William J. Hunt,	5.54
Thomas F. Campbell,	17.05
Arthur F. Brown,	21.50
R. C. Prescott,	.50
C. H. Wesson,	1.02
George H. Miles,	.83
F. Hathaway,	14.16
H. J. Davis,	5.87
D. A. Smith,	11.58
Charles T. Heard,	1.08
F. B. Stearns,	14.20

C. E. Moorhouse,	2.12
M. M. Smith,	1.80
B. F. Browning,	1.58
Edward Mellen,	5.16
G. W. Cowden,	14.29
W. H. Hammond,	24.91
F. G. Bartlett,	1.24
George M. Taylor,	6.67
W. A. Brodmukle,	14.82
H. E. Wheeler,	3.16
Michael O'Leary,	1.07
L. S. Brigham,	1.36
Gus Soderland,	8.49
W. J. Hunt,	2.75
Daniel R. Wheeler,	6.52
William C. Temple,	1.00
H. A. Kennan,	1.17
J. W. Monroe,	7.00
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	\$780.65

INCIDENTALS.

I. W. Mullett, printing Town Report,	\$36.45
William I. Thompson, water survey,	11.75
S. Prouty, insurance,	4.98
J. B. Wells, Old Cemetery,	4.68
J. W. Moulton, reward,	50.00
C. W. Dodge, Memorial,	17.00
H. M. Waite, tools for highway,	5.90
James Early, court expense,	23.80
I. W. Mullett, printing,	1.33
J. S. Wesby, printing for library,	8.00
J. Henderson, machine supplies,	17.25
E. H. Tripp, printing,	20.00
Boston Hose Co., Fire B.,	23.90
Central District Court,	7.45
Peter O'Connor, street light,	8.00
Peter O'Connor, repairs,	7.00
H. M. Mack, printing, (Assessories,)	6.17

Central District Court,	42.62
Michael Loughman, repair tools,	5.40
Amos Strong, repair tools,	9.45
Daniel R. Wheeler, water supply highway,	10.00
William Chamberlain, recording births,	6.25
S. Bothwell, court expenses,	65.36
C. W. Dodge, printing expenses and stationery,	7.10
Thayer and Rugg, legal advice,	3.00
W. C. Temple for public librarian,	33.19
E. H. Tripp,	4.00
H. A. Kennen, freight,	1.35
F. G. Bartlett, expense incurred as Selectman,	8.00
E. H. Peabody, court expenses,	12.00
M. R. Moulton, expense incurred as Selectman,	16.00
D. O. Herron, brush cutting,	8.33
George A. Putnam, surveying state road,	36.50
American Powder Co. for roads,	10.20
Frank G. Bartlett, expense state road,	26.50
William I. Thompson, survey for state road,	156.00
Mrs. Charles Peirce, boarding men state road,	5.50
F. Hathaway, expense moving hearse house,	50.00
Marble & Allen, state road survey,	91.80
F. B. Stearn, state road,	17.50
H. A. Kennen, bridge,	10.00
M. M. Smith, highway,	100.00

\$988.71

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Clerk,	\$43.75
Selectmen,	122.00
Assessors,	112.50
Overseers of the Poor,	57.00
School Committee,	129.06
Collector and Treasurer,	150.00
Constables,	15.10
Sexton,	35.00
Librarian,	52.00
Cattle Inspector,	114.00
Registrars of Voters,	22.50

Auditor,	8.00
Ballot Clerk,	2.00
Highway Bills,	1,470.01
Snow Bills,	780.65
School Bills,	2,698.57
Overseers' Orders,	1,017.73
Incidentals,	988.71
State Aid,	366.00
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	\$8,184.58

GUIDE BOARDS AND POSTS ERECTED.

One near S. B. Bray, corner,	Post and board new
One near E. C. Dudley's corner,	2 boards and post new
One at Junct. Barre and Paxton roads,	2 boards and post new
One at West Rutland Post office corner,	1 board.
One near Charles Pierce's	2 boards and post new
Two near Pat. Delehanty's corner	3 boards and 2 posts new
One near Miles Holden's corner	1 board
One at Meade's corner	2 boards
One near Muschopogue House	1 new board
Two near the Centre Post office	2 new boards
One on Pound Hill	2 new boards
One near Daniel Nyhin's	1 board and post new
One near Walter Bartlett's	1 new board
One near Daniel Wheeler's	2 boards and post new
One near M. Myron Smith's	2 new boards
One near Maynard's corner	1 board and post new
One near George Holden's	1 board and post new
One at Greenleaf's corner	1 board and post new
One at Benjamin Allen's	1 board and post new
One near No. 1 School house	2 boards and post new
One near Addison Child's	1 board and post new
One at New Boston corner	2 boards and post new
One near Brodmerkel's	2 boards and post new
One near Levi H. Stearns'	2 boards and post new
One near John Sargent's	2 boards and post new
One near Upham's corner	1 board and post new
41 boards.	

A LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS, 1896.

Lorenzo Q. Spaulding,	John W. Munroe,
Edward F. Preston,	D. F. Smith,
Arthur F. Brown,	J. Warren Moulton,
H. Edward Wheeler,	Fred B. Stearns,
Frank D. Forbush,	Era C. Dudley,
Paul Wheeler,	Elbridge Acker,
Dennis A. Smith,	William H. Prescott,
John W. Adams,	J. J. Welsh.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. MOULTON,	} Selectmen of Rutland.
F. G. BARTLETT,	
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

This certifies that I have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer and Selectmen, Town Clerk and Overseers of the Poor for the year ending February 15, 1896, and find them correct.

F. R. FOSTER, Auditor.

Rutland, February 15, 1896.

REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Highways.

As Superintendent of the Highways of the Town of Rutland, I have received orders on the Treasurer for the amount below, which has been expended in the following manner:

EXPENDED FOR LABOR.

Paid James Scott,	\$127.75
James King,	111.00
Noel Brigham,	47.35
James White,	63.90
H. W. Kennan,	225.45
Louis Baker,	106.70
Clarence Olliver,	44.70
H. A. Kennan,	534.20
John O'Leary,	80.00
T. S. Heald,	29.98
F. B. Stearns,	63.75
Mr. Bemis,	4.50
Frank Baker,	1.05
J. Henderson,	6.00
Rolland Prescott,	3.50
L. S. Brigham,	18.53
Myron Smith,	2.55
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	\$1,470.01
Repairing bridges,	\$12.20

I would recommend that some action be taken in regard to the driveways through the center of the Town, most of them are in such shape it throws the water into the road.

LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY.

1 Plow,	2 Picks,
1 Hand Scraper,	3 Hoes,
5 Spades,	1 Bog Hook,
1 Rake,	1 Bush Scythe,
1 Stump Puller,	1 Stone Hammer,
1 Iron Bar,	2 Forks,
1 Road Machine.	

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. KENNAN, Supt. of Roads.

REPORT

OF THE

Collector and Treasurer.

Town of Rutland in account with C. W. DODGE, Collector
and Treasurer.

<i>1895.</i>		<i>CR.</i>
March 4,	Amount brought forward from 1894,	\$7,183.28
13,	Rec'd of Citizen's National Bank,	1,000.00
	George W. Hudson, use of hall,	5.61
May 9,	Citizen's National Bank,	1,500.00
July 1,	Mathew Walker,	
	bal. on criminal fees,	4.36
6,	John E. O'Leary, bal. on note,	145.00
15,	People's Five Cent Savings Bank,	500.00
Aug. 17,	Rufus Houghton, estate,	
	for care of cemetery lot,	100.00
Sept.	1895 State Co. and Town Tax,	8,312.00
Sept. 21,	People's Five Cent Savings Bank,	1,000.00
Dec. 10,	State Treas. Corporation Tax,	12.27
10,	" " National Bank Tax,	23.07
10,	" " State Aid,	361.59
26,	County Treasurer, dog tax,	163.39
<i>1896.</i>		
Jan. 25,	State Treasurer, school fund,	200.00
30,	Town of Oxford, Overseers' bill,	82.58
Feb. 14,	Interest on Taxes,	164.62
14,	Town of Berlin, Overseers bills,	20.00
		<hr/> \$20,777.77

1895.

DR.

March	4,	Paid Order of abatement on D. O. Hemon's taxes,	\$45.00
	4,	Order of abatement on M. J. Henderson's taxes,	22.50
	4,	Order of abatement on Schyler Prouty taxes,	23.98
	4,	Order of abatement on Edwin S. Prescott,	15.20
	14,	State Treasurer, note,	1,000.00
	14,	State Treasurer, interest on 9 notes, \$11,000.00,	220.00
April	2,	People's Savings Bank, interest on 5,000.00,	100.00
	15,	George A. Putnam's estate, note,	400.00
	15,	" " " int. on note,	11.00
Aug.	17,	Worcester Five Cent Savings Bank, Rufus Houghton Fund,	100.00
Sept.	12,	Citizen's National Bank, interest on note,	20.22
	15,	State Treasurer, interest on notes, \$10,000.00,	200.00
	21,	Citizen's National Bank, note and interest,	1,000.67
	30,	People's Savings Bank, interest,	10.00
	30,	County Treasurer, County Tax,	245.00
Nov.	9,	Citizen's National Bank note and interest,	1,533.75
Dec.	10,	County Treasurer, County Tax,	245.00
	10,	State Treasurer, State Tax,	315.00

1896.

Jan.	1,	Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank, Sinking Fund,	500.00
	16,	People's Savings Bank, interest,	10.000
Feb.	5,	M. R. Moulton, order of abatement,	55.00
	5,	F. S. Hunt, order of abatement by error,	22.00
	5,	Order of abatement on 1894 tax,	14.53
	5,	Order of abatement on 1895 tax,	36.00
	14,	To 1893 Taxes unpaid,	259.89
	14,	1894 Taxes unpaid,	1,825.71

Feb. 14,	1895 Taxes unpaid,	4,092.74
14,	284 Town Orders,	8,184.58
14,	Cash on hand,	180.00
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		\$20,777.77

Town debt February 15, 1896, \$16,500.00

In Five Cent Bank, Sinking Fund, 1,020.10

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. DODGE, Collector and Treasurer.

REPORT

OF THE

TOWN CLERK.

BIRTHS.

DATE.	NAME.	PARENTS.
Jan. 3,	Fred Mason,	John & Lena M. (Woodis) Adams.
Mar. 19,	Minnie Ethel,	Frank A. & Mary J. (Streeter) Aldrich.
May 20,	Martha Eleanor,	Newton I. & Margaret (Hammond) Sargent.
June 2,	Fred Myron,	Wm. J. & Ida L. (Foster) Hunt.
June 11,	Lucy Viola,	Warren E. & Florence M. (Davis) Montcalm.
June 11,	Ruth,	Wm. C. & Olive M. (Barnes) Temple.
June 13,	Edna Goldthwait,	} Twins, Fred W. & Emma G.
June 13,	Esther Gertrude,	
		(Goldthwait) Hatstat.
June 28,	Hattie Merrill,	George A. & Emma L. (Strong) Hatstat.
July 19,	Mabel Greetta,	John W. & May Belle (Taylor) Moulton.
July 19,	Viola Ruth,	Forest A. & Mabel (Charter) Kennen.
Aug. 12,	Inez Hammond,	George B. & Annie (Hammond) McTaylor.
Aug. 17,	Charles Matthew,	Joseph E. & Margaret (LaTracy) Valley.
Aug. 20,	Malinda Amelia,	Louis M. & Frances I. (Putnam) Hanff.
Aug. 21,	Lawrence Earle,	Geo. A. & Bertha (Luce) Lawless.
Sept. 15,	Emil Richard Robert,	Robert & Anna (Wideman) Ploetz.
Sept. 22,	Willie James,	Edwin S. & Abbie R. (Hunter) Prescott.
Sept. 26,	William Patrick,	Patrick & Minnie L. (Duggan) Murphy.
Sept. 30,	Florence Edith May,	Joshua & Mary J. (Williams) Henderson.

- Oct. 18, Marion Louise, John B. & Louise M. (Lombard) Goldthwait.
 Oct. 24, Beatrice Josephine, Jos. P. & Emma (Harper) Hinds.
 Nov. 23, Mary Ellen, Michael & Catherine J. (O'Leary) Gleason.
 Dec. 5, Francis Eugene, William & Annie (Lawless) Burke.
 Dec. 5, Bernard, John J. & Maggie (Donnelly) Welch.
 Dec. 11, Louis Andrew, Chas. A. & Virginia (Harper) Peirce.
 Dec. 20, Lila May, Curtis N. & Carrie (Cummings) Chickering.
 Dec. 24, George AtLee, Clinton W. & Lucy C. (Dodge) Putnam.
 Dec. 27, Margaret Alice, Geo. H. & Catherine (Cullen) Rice.

MARRIAGES.

<i>DATE. 1895.</i>	<i>NAMES.</i>	<i>RESIDENCE.</i>
Feb. 26,	Charles A. Pierce,	Rutland
	Virginia E. Harper,	"
Mar. 19,	Gilbert C. Wheelock,	Somerville
	Lizzie Belle Goldthwait,	Rutland
April 6,	Fred W. Hatstat,	Rutland
	Emma G. Goldthwait,	"
May 9,	Benj. F. Townsend,	Rutland
	Isabella A. Townsend,	"
June 3,	Herbert W. Kennan,	Rutland
	Leonie E. Graton,	Charlton
June 26,	Michael H. Scott,	Rutland
	Mary L. Dooley,	Spencer
July 2,	Mark A. Putnam,	Rutland
	Mary P. Rockett,	Hingham
Sept. 5,	John J. McGliney,	Worcester
	Minnie L. Luce,	Rutland
Sept. 11,	Melvin A. Hubbard,	Holden
	Elizabeth A. Taylor,	"
Oct. 9,	Weston R. Upham,	Rutland
	Fannie B. Spooner,	"
Oct. 30,	Ira G. Dudley,	Rutland
	Sarah H. Bray,	"
Nov. 13,	Clarence H. Ackley,	Leicester
	Fannie L. Graton,	Rutland
Dec. 24,	Sumner A. Taylor,	Rutland
	Rebecca B. Koughn,	"

DEATHS.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		YRS.	MOS.	DYS.	
Feb. 5,	Edwin S. Prescott,	32			Pleuro pneumonia
Feb. 23,	George A. Fay,	34	3	20	Heart disease and pneumonia
Mar. 2,	James L. Munroe,	76	8	25	LaGrippe and pneumonia
Mar. 9,	George A. Putnam,	72	1	26	Pneumonia
Mar. 9,	Joseph P. Hinds,	25			Dropped dead heart disease
Mar. 24,	Ruth M. Forbush,	76	10	23	Paralysis
Mar. 25,	Mary B. Davis,	80	5	27	LaGrippe
Mar. 27,	Alice E. Sargent,	17	4	12	Chronic appendicitis
Apr. 25,	Clara Holden,	78	5	26	Heart disease and dropsy
June 1,	George P. Woodis,	62	9	20	Suicide
June 1,	John Adams,	76	3	14	Assassinated
June 5,	Willie Welch,	1	2	14	Scarlet fever
July 3,	John M. Kennedy,	57		10	Paralysis
Nov. 5,	Clark O. Wellington,	72		8	Heart, liver and kidney disease
Nov. 25,	George P. Calhoun,	32	9		

Supposed to be burned in a barn which was on fire.

The number of dogs returned to me by the Assessors was 88 males and 6 females.

The number of dogs licensed for 1895, was

88 male dogs, at \$2.00 \$176.00

4 females dogs, at \$5.00, 20.00

\$196.00

Fees for registration, 18.40

Paid to County Treasurer, \$177.60

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF, Town Clerk.

Rutland, Feb. 12, 1896.

REPORT

OF THE

Trustees of the Free Public Library.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance of last year,	\$73.69	
Appropriation,	67.97	
Received from non-residents for use of library,	8.60	
Received for fines,	6.80	
Received for sale of Catalogues,	1.50	
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Total,		\$158.56

EXPENDITURES.

Salary of Librarian,	\$52.00	
Paid for new books,	53.00	
Paid J. S. Wesby, rebinding books,	8.00	
Paid for express,	1.50	
Incidentals,	.50	
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		\$115.00
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Balance,		43.56

Sixty-two new volumes have been added to the library by purchase.

Ten volumes have been kindly donated by Mr. Ellis Peterson and two by Miss C. E. Upham.

The number of books taken from the library during the year is 2,389.

The balance in favor of the library, together with the usual appropriation will enable your trustees to purchase a small additional supply of books the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. TEMPLE, MRS. SARAH MUNROE, MRS. H. R. SPAULDING,	}	Trustees.
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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

Town of Rutland,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1896.

REPORT

OF THE

School Committee of the Town of Rutland

FOR THE YEAR 1895.

Fellow Citizens:

Another school year with its opportunities has passed, and your committee are again called upon to submit their annual report.

Before taking up in detail the matters pertaining to the schools we will remind you of the duty which we owe the children of our town in furnishing for them means and opportunities of securing a good education. Early training is of vast importance to lead to that well developed condition which in after years will be a pride to the individual and reflect credit upon the town for the opportunities it gave to its children.

Rutland is not a wealthy town, yet we cannot afford to let those on whom our pride and hope centers, to be robbed of that which rightly belongs to them, and which is "of more value than much fine gold."

The town has only to be informed of its necessities, to respond in a manner worthy of its name.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

Population of Rutland, 1890,	980
Number of children in Town, May 1st, 1895, between the ages of five and fifteen,	175
Number between eight and fourteen,	133
Whole number of different pupils registered in the schools,	201
Average membership,	176.71
Average attendance,	168.02
Per cent. of average attendance,	95.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.**RESOURCES.**

Unexpended balance of 1894,	\$ 25.48
Appropriations of 1895,	
Salaries and supplies,	1,500.00
Conveyance of pupils,	800.00
State school fund,	200.00
Dog fund,	120.00
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Total,	\$2,645.48

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' salaries,	\$1,660.00
Conveyance of pupils,	595.70
Books and supplies,	229.09
Fuel,	98.90
Janitors,	38.50
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Total,	\$2,622.19
Unexpended balance,	23.29
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	\$2,645.48

CONTINGENT.

Repairs and Furnishings,	\$42.38
Incidentals,	34.00
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Total,	\$76.38

BILLS APPROVED.**TEACHERS' SALARIES.**

A. L. Saben,	\$150.00
W. J. Chaffee,	300.00
Alva A. Price,	90.00
Sarah H. Bray,	63.00
Mabel S. Hastings,	117.00
Hattie E. Bigelow,	70.00
M. S. Delano,	160.00
Myrtice M. Higgins,	230.00
Alice R. Walker,	80.00
E. M. Cunningham,	160.00
Lois M. Hubbard,	240.00
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Total,	\$1,660.00

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Edw. E. Babb & Co.,	\$180.92	
American Book Co.,	10.37	
Silver. Burdett & Co.,	21.85	
King & Merrill,	2.10	
A. L. Saben,	6.00	
Sanford & Co.,	1.50	
F. Hathaway, express and stamps,	5.75	
W. A. Hunter, express,	.60	
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Total,		\$229.09

CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS.

A. E. Sargent for 1894,	\$25.00	
M. D. Potter,	30.00	
W. A. Hunter,	116.00	
E. C. Dudley for 1894,	35.00	
E. C. Dudley,	75.00	
George H. Miles,	104.00	
Horace Smith,	11.20	
Dennis Smith,	35.00	
Stephen Allen,	80.00	
Florance Davis,	40.00	
A. O. Chickering,	40.50	
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Total,		\$591.70

FUEL.

Joel Stone,	\$24.75	
H. J. Davis,	8.15	
H. B. Davis,	1.00	
Warren G. Wales,	10.00	
Joseph Davis,	22.50	
W. C. Temple,	32.50	
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Total,		\$98.90

JANITORS.

Teachers,	\$23.50	
Clayton Whitmare,	2.50	
Bell Baker,	7.50	
George D. Luce,	2.50	
Joseph Davis,	2.50	
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Total,		\$38.50

*CONTINGENT.**REPAIRS AND FURNISHINGS.*

Oil Cloth,	\$1.00	
P. S. O'Connor,	4.00	
Mrs. Brigham,	.60	
Mrs. I. M. Kennedy,	.60	
F. Hathaway,	2.56	
Horace Smith,	.50	
Henry A. Kennen,	33.12	
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Total,		\$42.38

INCIDENTALS.

Town of Paxton,	\$30.00	
A. L. Saben,	4.00	
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Total,		\$34.00

Statistics for the Full Year.

TEACHERS.	SCHOOL	ENROLL- MENT	AVERAGE MEMBERSHIP	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	Average wages per Month		No. of pupils over 15 years	No. under 15 years	No. between 15 & 18
Alva A. Price	Center Primary	42	40.56	36.8	\$36.00		1	0	21
Sarah H. Bray									
Mabel S. Hastings									
Lois M. Hubbard	West Rutland	30	25.36	32	32.00		3	0	19
Hattie E. Bigelow	North Rutland	37	27.26	23.5	32.00		0	0	24
M. S. Delano									
Myrtice M. Higgins	South	27	22	20	30.66		0	1	20
Alice R. Walker	Pound Hill	28	25.59	22.13	32.00		0	0	21
Elizabeth M. Cunningham									
A. L. Saben	High	37	35	33.5	60.00		5	0	32
W. G. Chaffee									

NUMBER OF SCHOOLS.

Six schools have been maintained through the year, one less than last year.

CONSOLIDATIONS.

We still believe the consolidation of small districts secures better advantages, and at a less expense to the town; and are pleased to state that by shutting up the house in New Boston, and conveying the pupils to North Rutland, has proved to be a success in more ways than one. First the per cent of attendance has been greater. Second, the manifest interest in the school has increased. Third, the advancement in the studies pursued has been greater than ever before.

In getting the two schools together we obtained a sufficient number of scholars to make it possible to get a competent teacher; fortunately we secured such a teacher, and hope to secure her services another year.

CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS.

While we adhere to this plan of consolidations, is becomes necessary and obligatory for us to provide some way for the conveyance of pupils living at a distance from the schools thus established.

Your committee endeavored to do the best that they could in this regard, but have failed to accomplish the end in view to the satisfaction of all concerned. The essential point to be determined is, what is an unreasonable distance for children to walk, and to settle this point satisfactorily, we think the town by their vote can determine some method by which your committee shall be governed in the future.

The following plan is submitted for your consideration, viz.: One mile shall be considered a reasonable distance for all children attending the primary schools, and all families living farther than one mile, and having children attending the primary schools, shall for each half mile in excess (or a fraction more than one fourth) receive from the town fifty cents for every five days actual attendance.

Perhaps some other plan can be adopted that would prove more satisfactory, but we earnestly hope that the

town will act in this matter, and thus relieve the school board of settling this vexed question.

HIGH SCHOOL.

This school has been maintained throughout the year with a good degree of success, in charge of a competent teacher. The school we think is growing in popular favor, and if we mistake not, it will in the near future, take a higher rank as a high school than it now maintains, and in this connection we think that one of the needs of this school is to have the pupils understand that the most important studies or those in which they should be the most thoroughly drilled are the English branches, and thinking thus, we believe that two years should be allotted for these branches, making the regular course for the school four years instead of three.

In order to secure the best results, if the regular course was for four years it would be necessary to have another room in connection with the one we use for this school to be used as a recitation room, and then employ an assistant teacher competent to teach and drill the English branches.

An addition to the present building to accommodate the school in this respect would not be very expensive and would be a great convenience for the school.

The graduating exercises of the class of 1895 was manifestly enjoyable by a large number present on that occasion, the graduates sustaining their parts in a very satisfactory manner to all that have an interest in the school, reflecting much credit upon the principal, and gaining for themselves an honorable position among the young people of the town.

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

But little has been done in this line the past year, the largest expense incurred has been the grading around the center school building. Another year it will be absolutely necessary to attend to these matters more fully.

GRADED SCHOOLS.

We are still of the same opinion in regard to graded schools that we outlined in our last year's report, to which we call your attention, and hope that the Town, in the near future will vote to have graded schools."

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENCE.

Our schools do not have the benefit of skilled Superintendence, as is the case in 88 per cent. of the entire school population of the state and in the opinion of your committee, now is the time for the town to accept the provisions of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888 and subsequent amendments, and vote to unite with a suitable number of Towns to employ a Superintendent of schools. Mr. Hill, Secretary of the State Board of Education, has told us what advantages are derived by employing a Superintendent, and says: "This plan enables towns of low valuation to obtain that skilled superintendence which has done so much for the improvement of the schools in the larger towns and cities."

"The question of the value of skilled superintendence has been settled by prolonged and extensive experience." "Schools usually respond promptly to the stimulus of such superintendence."

And concludes by saying: "The better the schools of a town the more desirable it becomes as a place of residence, and more likely it is to grow in population and wealth, and the greater will be its contribution to the good citizenship and welfare of the Commonwealth.

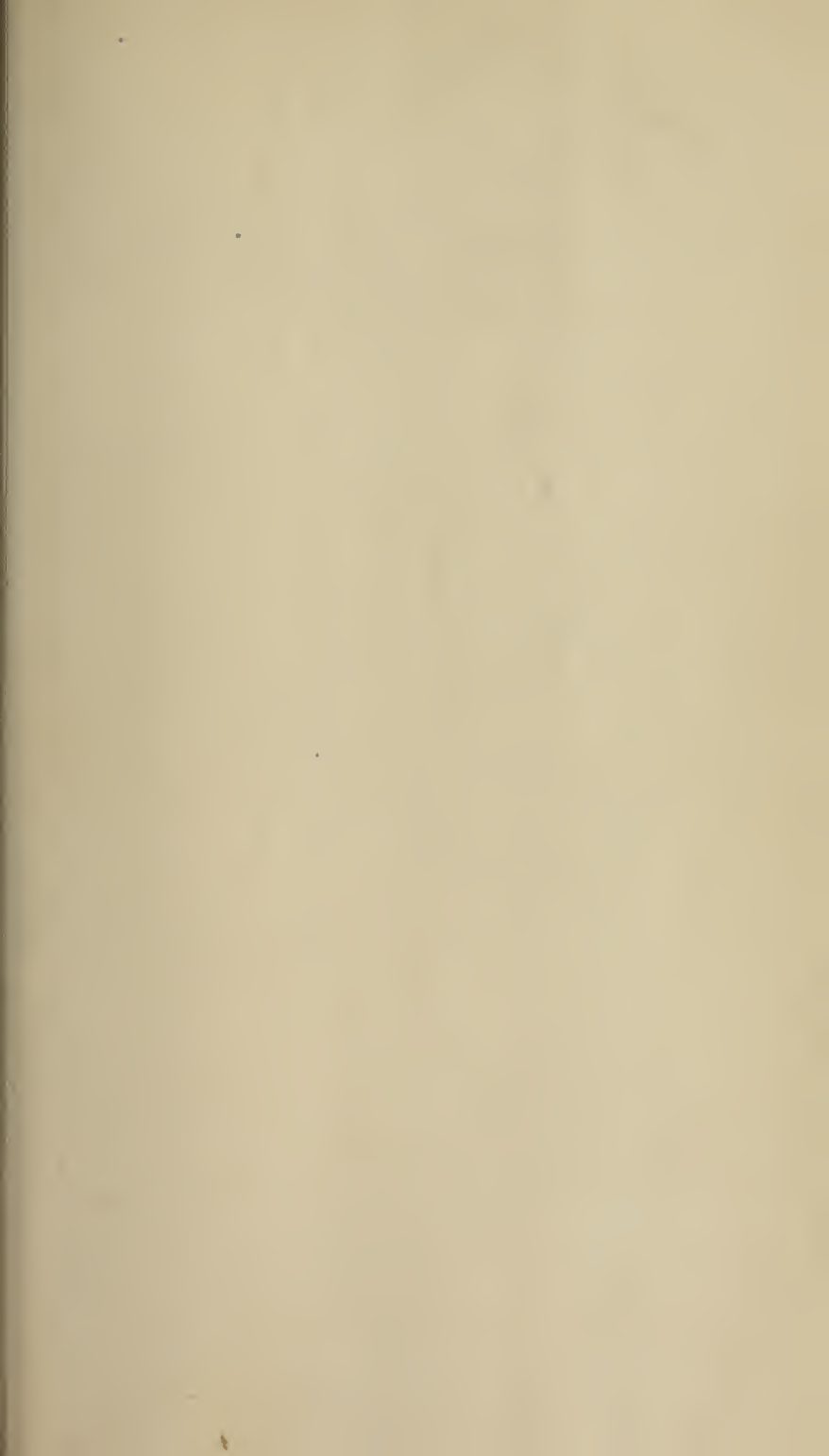
IN CONCLUSION.

We are pleased to say that all the schools have sustained a good character, and the degree of proficiency has been all that we could reasonably expect.

For the faithful services of the teachers, the co-operation of the parents, we extend our hearty thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. HUNTER,	} School Committee
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	
FRANKLIN HATHAWAY,	
	of
	Rutland.









ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

::: OF THE :::

Town of Rutland,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1897.



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WORCESTER PRINTING CO.,
26 SOUTHBRIDGE STREET, WORCESTER,
1897.

TOWN OFFICERS.

MODERATOR.

Charles R. Bartlett.

TOWN CLERK.

Louis M. Hanff.

SELECTMEN.

C. R. Bartlett,

F. G. Bartlett,

A. F. Brown.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Henry A. Kennen,

George W. Cowden,

Henry Converse.

ASSESSORS.

W. C. Temple,

T. F. Campbell,

H. E. Wheeler.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Walter A. Hunter,

Wm. C. Temple,

Franklin Hathaway.

SEXTON.

Roland C. Prescott.

LIBRARIAN.

Mrs. Freeman R. Foster.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

Louis M. Hanff.

ROAD COMMISSIONER.

A. F. Brown.

CONSTABLES.

Fred B. Stearns,

J. Warren Moulton,

F. L. Cheever,

M. D. Potter,

L. M. Hanff,

W. A. Hunter,

Geo. A. Hatstat.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

Wm. C. Temple, Mrs. Geo. B. Munroe, Mrs. L. Q. Spaulding

MEASURERS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER.

L. M. Hanff,

Joseph O'Herron,

F. L. Cheever,

M. R. Moulton,

Jos. E. Ware,

W. B. Ware.

FENCE VIEWERS.

L. M. Hanff,

Daniel Demond,

A. B. Fisher.

FIELD DRIVERS.

Mark A. Putnam,

F. B. Stearns,

H. E. Wheeler.

POUND KEEPER.

C. R. Bartlett.

AUDITOR.

F. R. Foster.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Geo. W. Hudson.

WARRANT

FOR

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 1, 1897.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER, SS.

TO F. L. CHEEVER, CONSTABLE FOR
THE TOWN OF RUTLAND:

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland to meet at the Town Hall in said Rutland, on Monday, the first day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1.—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2.—To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

ART. 3.—To see if the Town will accept of the reports of the various Town Officers and committees for the past year, or act thereon.

ART. 4.—To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools; for repairs on the Highways; for the support of the Poor; for State and Military Aid; for use on Memorial Day; for Transporting Scholars to and from the Public Schools; for Contingent Expenses and paying Debts; for the Improvement of the Old Cemetery.

ART. 5.—To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.

ART. 6.—To see if the Treasurer shall be Collector of Taxes, and determine the compensation of the same.

- ART. 7.—To see what interest shall be collected on Taxes not paid in a specified time.
- ART. 8.—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town under the approval of the Selectmen.
- ART. 9.—To see what action the Town will take to have the Town House cared for.
- ART. 10.—To see if the Town will accept of the list of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.
- ART. 11.—To vote by ballot, Yes or No, to the question, Shall license be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Town?
- ART. 12.—To see if the Town will recind the vote whereby they voted to raise the sum of \$5,000, when the Town Hall committee had raised a like sum for the purpose of building a new Town Hall.
- ART. 13.—To see if the Town will vote to build a new Town Hall, and raise and appropriate money for the same.
- ART. 14.—To see if the Town will determine the compensation for labor on the highways, or act thereon.
- ART. 15.—To see if the Town will take any measures for cutting brush, removing fences next to highways, or act thereon.
- ART. 16.—To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen or any other person or persons to ascertain the boundary lines of the several Highways of the Town, or any of them, and define the same by suitable stone bounds, or otherwise, or act anything in relation thereto.
- ART. 17.—To see if the Town will take any action in relation to the repairs of the Highways, with a view to receiving a greater amount of benefit if possible, for the amount of money appropriated therefor.
- ART. 18.—To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen or any other person or persons to fix and determine the grade of the Highways of said Town, or any of them

to warn any and all persons not to interfere with the grade of said Highways by depositing on, or removing from said Highways, any stone, gravel or other material, without first obtaining the consent of the Selectmen, or said other person or persons so authorized as aforesaid, to fix and determine said grade, or act anything in relation thereto.

ART. 19.—To see if the Town will vote to name the roads of the Town, or act anything thereon.

ART. 20.—To see if the Town will vote to settle a claim for damages with Patrick Delehanty, or act anything thereon.

ART. 21.—To see if the Town will procure a safe for the Town Treasurer, or act anything thereon.

ART. 22.—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a certain sum for the purpose of furnishing a suitable place for the fire apparatus, or act anything thereon.

ART. 23.—To see if the Town will vote to enforce the Sunday law against hunting and fishing, or act anything thereon.

ART. 24.—To see if the Town will accept and adopt Chapter 374 of the year 1895, or act anything thereon.

ART. 25.—And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to vote of said Town, one at each Post-office, and one at the Congregational Church; in said Town, seven days at least before said time of holding said Meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Fifteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

C. R. BARTLETT,	} Selectmen of Rutland.
F. G. BARTLETT,	
A. F. BROWN,	

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Holden Poor Farm Association,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1897.

Respectfully submitted by the Board of Management.

INMATES RECEIVING SUPPORT.

Name.	Age.	Settlement.	Period of Support Began.	No. Days.
Martha Parker,	58,	Holden,	April 1, 1890, Continues.	366
Lizzie Kenney,	40,	"	" " " "	366
Nahum S. Newton	66,	"	Dec. 24, 1891, " "	366
Peter King,	79,	"	April 26, '93, Died Jan. 27.	362
Mabel Conors,	42,	"	April 16, '96, Continues.	291

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David Rice,	77,	Hubbardston,	Apr. 1, '91, Continues.	366
Nancy Boynton,	58,	"	Apr. 1, '90, " "	366
John Wilson,	61,	"	Dec. 27, '95, " "	180
			dis. Mar. 21, returned Sept 22.	
Albert Wheeler.	73,	"	Mar. 20, '96, Continues.	317
Moses Clark,	18,	"	May 26, '91, died Aug. 10, 100	
			dis. May 4, returned Aug. 4.	
Joseph Granger,	80,	"	Jan. 23, '96, dis. Sept 2.	215
Henry Clark,	17,	"	Dec. 16, '95, " " 11.	224
Mary W. Whitney,	17,	"	" 18, '94,	
			ran away April 2.	62
Minnie Whitney,	2,	"	Dec. 18, '94, dis. Feb. 19.	9

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Eunice Walker,	71,	Oakham,	April 1, 1892, Continues.	366
Lavina B. Field,	72,	"	Oct. 31, 1894, " "	366

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Carrie Snow,	42.	Paxton,	April 10, 1896,	Continues.	285
William Newton,	74,	"	June 6, died June 10.		4

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Elijah C. Foster,	88,	Phillipston,	April 30, 1896,		277
Charles Dunton,	82,	"	"	"	277

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Rose Roen,	58,	Rutland,	July 22, '93, dis.	Apr. 7.	67
Elizabeth Demond,	76,	"	May 6, '95, Continues.		366
Austin Preston,	55,	"	"	" died Dec. 26.	330
John Kelley,	36,	"	Jan. 16, '96, dis.	June 22.	143
Louisa B. Clark,	44,	"	Nov. 19, '95, dis.	Mar. 22.	22

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Adeline Eager,	56,	Westminster,	Apr. 1, '92, Continu's.		366
Margaret Cronin,	52,	"	"	"	366
Sarah Blake,	58,	"	Aug. 10, '96,	"	166
Louisa Carter,	65,	"	Aug. 22, '95, dis.	Aug. 20.	202
Susan Derby,	80,	"	Dec. 6, '96, died Jan. 4.		31

Whole number of inmates, 30. Died, 5.

Left the institution, 8. Remaining, 17.

Total days board furnished, 7224 or 1032 weeks.

Average weekly number 19.11 13.

Handel Winship of Westminster is still a boarder and

Miss Lois Brown continues to serve as nurse for her sister,
Mrs. Elizabeth Demond of Rutland.

RECEIPTS.

Milk	\$1040.18
Poultry and eggs,	47.05
Pork and veal,	24.95
Dinners,	9.00
Wagon,	6.00
Sundries,	3.31
Cash,	19.17
Mr. Winship's board,	208.00
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	\$1357.66

EXPENSES.

Warden's and Matron's Salary,	\$562.52
Outside labor,	92.07
Inside labor,	156.62
Meat and fish,	202.46
Grain,	500.83
Flour and groceries,	446.78
Bread,	143.18
Dry goods,	165.65
Stock,	217.00
Medicine,	27.45
Medical attendance,	104.40
Painting house,	138.18
Boots and shoes,	21.18
Sundries,	354.73
Fertilizer,	74.00
Wood,	35.00
Rent,	200.00
Interest on personal property,	120.99

\$3563.04

Deducting receipts,

1357.66

Balance, (net receipts),

\$2205.38

Cost per week for each inmate, \$2.138

The Expense of Each Town is as Follows, viz:

Holden,	\$534.81
Hubbardston,	561.68
Oakham,	222.66
Paxton,	88.27
Phillipston,	169.21
Rutland,	283.31
Westminster,	345.44

The following Table Gives Annual Condition since Organization of the Association.

	Number of Inmates.	Weekly Average.	Total No. Weeks.	Cost Per Week.
First year,	12	7.7-26	377.5-7	\$2.875
Second year,	16	11.7-26	586	2.243
Third year,	26	21.25-26	1142	1.959
*Fourth year,	30	22.37-306	967	2.232
Fifth year,	30	18.89	982.2-7	2.545
Sixth year,	36	18.12-13	984	2.30
Seventh year,	30	19 11-13	1032	2.138

It will be noticed that Phillipston has united with the Association. We have been fortunate in securing the services of an efficient warden and matron, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron L. Potter, under whose direction the inmates have been well cared for, and the affairs of the institution conducted in a business like manner. Good health was generally enjoyed up to the last of December, when an epidemic form of the Lagrippe attacked the institution, from the effects of which three persons, advanced in years and broken in health, succumbed. The other two deaths were persons who were brought to the farm sick, and survived their coming but a few days. The house has been re-painted, and a silo constructed in the barn, though not of sufficient capacity to contain all of the very large crop of forage which was raised the last season. The number of cows has been increased to fourteen, thereby increasing the receipts for milk. For the fourth time the hearts of the inmates were gladdened by receiving a bountiful Christmas dinner through the kindness of Hon. F. S. Coodidge, of Fitchburg.

HOBART RAYMOND, Westminster, President.

JESSE ALLEN, Oakham, Secretary.

F. T. HOLT, Holden, Treasurer.

JOHN ADAMS, Hubbardston.

H. H. PIKE, Paxton.

D. WEBSTER BAKER, Phillipston.

H. A. KENNEN, Rutland.

Board of Management.

*Ten Months.

REPORT

OF THE

Overseers of the Town of Rutland,

For the Year Ending February 1, 1897,

IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

Five persons have been supported at the Almshouse in Holden for all or part of the year.

NAMES.	YEARS.	DAYS.
Rose Roane,	58	67
Elizabeth Demond,	76	366
Austin Preston,	55	330
John Kelley,	36	143
Louisa B. Clark,	44	22

928

Expense per week for each inmate, \$2.138.

Expense at Holden Association, \$283.31.

EXPENSES FOR OUTSIDE.

Paid Dr. Wm. E. Chamberlain for Clark children,	\$ 1.50
“ “ “ “ John C. McGuinness,	27.00
“ “ “ “ Ben. McKey,	25.50
“ “ “ “ Whitmore family,	38.00
“ “ “ “ L. B. Chickering,	36.00
H. Jones Davis for Clark children board,	17.00
Frank B. Sherman “ “ “ “	15.00
Holden Town Farm Association,	40.00
“ “ “ “	60.00
“ “ “ “	100.00
“ “ “ “	75.00
“ “ “ “	8.31
James Cross, funeral expense, Mrs. O. Smith,	15.00
Chas. Spooner for wood, Mrs. Ed. Prescott,	3.00

R. C. Prescott, funeral expense, Austin Preston,	\$16.50
Dr. Parker for M. J. Glenon,	23.00
Henry Morse, board for same,	12.00
Samuel C. Sherman, board Henry C. Clark,	52.29
City Hospital, Ernest Clark,	10.00
City of Springfield, Ruth Leadbetter,	23.00
North Brookfield, Eliza Clark,	37.50
Mrs. E. C. Dudley, services ren. Mrs. O. Demond,	1.50
E. W. Merrick, tramps,	5.00
Wheeler Bros. for Mrs. Townsend,	27.03
“ “ “ “ “	43.55
Henry Kennen, clothing for Mrs. Townsend,	8.14
Henry Converse, groceries,	34.64
“ “ Hodgskin,	.66
L. Forbush, Hodgskin,	5.34
Dr. Parker for Geo. A. Goodwin,	20.00
L. M. Hanff, blanks,	4.00
Town of Dana for Mrs. Martin,	54.00

\$839.46

Due from North Brookfield, doctor's bill and board for Michael Glenon,	35.00
Due from Geo. A. Goodwin,	20.00

\$55.00

Net expense for supporting poor, \$784.46

Expense of pauper rendered by this Town but having settlement elsewhere:

Michael J. Glenon of North Brookfield,	\$35.00
Geo. A. Goodwin of Gardner,	20.00
	<u>\$55.00</u>

Expenses of persons helped, outside the Association, having settlement in this Town but residing elsewhere:

Mrs. Townsend,	\$113.36
L. B. Chickering,	36.00

H. C. Clark,	\$52.29
Due for Ernest Clark,	10.00
Ruth Leadbetter,	23.00
Eliza Clark,	37.50
Dr. Chamberlain for Clark children,	1.50
Mrs. H. Jones Davis for Clark children,	17.00
Hannah Martin,	54.00
F. B. Clark,	15.00
Geo. Hodgskins,	6.00

\$365.65

H. A. KENNAN,	} Overseers.
G. W. COWDEN,	
HENRY CONVERSE,	

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

OF THE

Financial Condition for the Year

ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1897.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer during the past year, 305 orders amounting to \$7,961.15.

The appropriations of the Town are as follows:

State Tax,	\$367.50
County Tax,	613.00
Town Grant,	8,000.00
Overlayings,	101.51
Extra Assessments, 2 Polls,	4.00
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	\$9,086.01

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

State Treasurer,	\$9,000.00
People's Savings Bank, Worcester,	6,800.00
Meade Fund,	500.00
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	\$16,300.00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from Franklin Hathaway, Trustee,	\$1,550.00
" John E. O'Leary,	600.00
" Five Cent Savings Bank,	
Sinking Fund,	1,061.00
" People's Savings Bank, Sinking	
Fund,	500.00
" People's Savings Bank, H. H.	
Welsh Fund,	102.00
" State and Military Aid,	338.00
" State for burial expense of H.	
B. Oliver,	29.50

Due from State for Inspection of Cattle, $\frac{1}{2}$		
Compensation,	\$47.50	
" Townsend estate, taken for taxes	25.42	
" Tax Bills and Cash on hand from		
C. W. Dodge, 1895,	1,466.37	
Unexpended Balance in hands of Library		
Trustees,	59.32	
Due from Tax Bills and Cash on hand		
from L. M. Hanff,	4,601.52	
" Unpaid Water Rents,	97.17	
Due for Gravel,	9.16	
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		\$10,486.96
Showing a balance against the Town of	5,813.04	

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

	Town Clerk.	
Louis M. Hanff,		\$28.50
	Selectmen.	
C. R. Bartlett,		\$38.00
F. G. Bartlett,		32.00
A. F. Brown,		32.00
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		\$102.00
	Assessors.	
W. C. Temple,		\$42.50
T. F. Campbell,		35.00
H. E. Wheeler,		33.75
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		\$111.25
	Overseers of Poor.	
H. A. Kennan,		\$58.10
Henry Converse,		10.00
Geo. W. Cowden,		1.00
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		\$59.10
	School Committee.	
W. A. Hunter,		\$43.25
W. C. Temple,		20.00
Franklin Hathaway,		49.75
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		\$113.00

Collector and Treasurer.

Louis M. Hanff,	\$150.00
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Sextons.

Roland C. Prescott,	\$57.83
E. Wellington,	2.00

\$59.83

Constables.

F. L. Cheever,	\$4.00
J. W. Moulton,	4.50

\$8.50

Librarian.

Mrs. F. R. Foster,	\$52.00
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Cattle Inspector.

F. G. Bartlett,	\$95.00
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Registrars of Voters.

Louis M. Hanff,	\$8.00
C. R. Bartlett,	7.50
F. G. Bartlett,	\$6.00
A. F. Brown,	6.00

\$27.50

Auditor.

F. R. Foster,	\$8.00
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Ballot Clerk.

Dennis A. Smith, 1895,	\$2.00
Dennis A. Smith, 1896,	2.00

\$4.00

Water Commissioners.

Charles R. Bartlett,	\$58.00
Stephen W. Trowbridge,	
William T. Brown,	44.89

\$102.89

SNOW.

O. W. McGann,	\$7.80
John E. O'Leary,	5.73
John B. Goldwaite,	2.24
Lewis H. Baker,	4.08
L. H. Stearns,	26.40
N. I. Sargent,	13.25

Daniel McCarthy,	\$8.50
Stephen Broderick,	4.65
M. D. Potter,	12.20
Arthur Heald,	10.25
A. F. Brown,	6.33
W. H. Prescott,	42.17
W. R. Upham,	.83
H. A. Kennan,	11.59
T. F. Campbell,	8.67
C. A. Spooner,	2.50
W. J. Welsh,	2.50
John J. Welsh,	15.41
Thomas Welsh,	11.83
E. M. Davis,	4.33
Francis Strong,	1.16
W. W. Prescott,	1.16
Dennis A. Smith,	7.45
Fred Williams,	4.97
H. W. Calkins,	.66
Geo. H. Miles,	4.69
Frank Forward,	1.16
Charles Parker	3.09
E. H. Crosby,	6.90
Wm. J. Hunt,	2.67
C. R. Bartlett,	9.83
D. Demond,	12.17
Patrick Delehanty,	11.34
Warren G. Wales,	8.58
L. S. Brigham,	3.15
E. Mellen,	36.50
Michael O'Leary,	2.60
James Scott,	3.17
Henry B. Davis,	1.17
Dennis O'Herron,	9.67
George A. Hatstat,	1.52
C. T. Oliver,	2.25
H. N. Bemis,	.50
T. S. Heald,	4.16

W. T. Brown,	\$5.70
Geo. W. Cowden,	2.50
Robert Pleotz,	7.66
James Scott,	3.16
Patrick Scott,	3.17
Joshua Henderson,	5.67
Lewis Baker,	2.18
Charles Parker,	8.17
H. A. Kennan,	13.42
F. Hathaway,	3.33
Daniel Nihin,	2.50
J. W. Munroe,	4.17
C. R. Bartlett,	11.08
D. A. Smith,	3.17
F. G. Bartlett,	6.31
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	\$423.97

WATER DEPARTMENT.

J. Albert Walker, 15.30 tons coal,	\$47.43
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on coal,	15.30
C. R. Bartlett, drawing 15.30 coal to Pumping Station,	10.00
W. A. Wheeler, 7½ cords pine wood, " "	15.00
A. Burlingame & Co., packing for pump,	5.10
Worcester Printing Co., water rates and application blanks,	7.50
E. E. Lawrence, services as engineer,	194.05
Michael Loughman, making ice chisel,	.40
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	\$294.78

INCIDENTALS.

Peter O'Connor, street lighting,	\$6.00
Worcester Printing Co., printing Town Officers Re- ports, 1895,	38.60
H. A. Kennan, expenses purchasing and getting scraper,	8.00
A. F. Brown, inspecting highway,	4.00
F. G. Bartlett, inspecting highway and trip to Barre,	6.00

Worcester Printing Co., Town Order Book,	\$3.00
E. H. Tripp, stationery for Town Clerk,	5.25
Geo. E. Allen, road scraper and repairs,	37.50
Sanford, Sawtelle Co., Assessors' books,	4.50
H. M. Waite, road tools,	24.23
Joel W. Walker, damages sustained on highway,	10.00
C. W. Dodge, Memorial Day appropriation,	15.00
Ross Brothers, road tools,	1.50
E. H. Tripp, labels for use of Library,	1.50
J. Henderson, building two culverts,	15.00
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	5.25
A. T. Brodmerkle, cutting brush,	18.98
Sanford, Sawtelle Co., Collector's book,	1.50
N. I. Sargent, repairing highway,	8.00
Town of Leicester to aid furnished Brigham Pierce,	86.00
R. S. Robson, repairing ballot box,	6.00
M. M. Smith for 158 loads gravel,	7.90
E. H. Tripp, printing Assessors' Report,	24.30
Lovell Arms Co., handcuffs and twisters,	5.00
T. S. Heald, cutting brush,	1.35
W. H. Hammond, repairing culverts, 1895,	2.25
Dennis O'Herron, cutting brush,	1.50
Sanford, Sawtelle Co., Library Journal,	1.50
E. H. Tripp, Tax bills,	3.75
Geo. A. Hatstat, railing highway, etc.,	2.80
Mrs. J. M. Valley, reporting births,	.75
T. S. Heald, cutting brush,	1.50
W. A. Hunter, blasting rocks on highway,	4.06
Henry Converse, nails and spikes for bridge,	2.75
Thayer & Cobb, legal advice, 1895,	10.00
W. E. Chamberlain, returning births,	3.75
C. R. Bartlett, 1-3 cost of straighting Paxton road,	15.97
W. C. Temple, uncollected balance Library Fund,	32.97
F. L. Cheever, expense in Chickering case,	19.64
Michael Loughman, blacksmithing,	1.70
F. P. Goulding, legal advice,	25.00
W. J. Hunt, repairing culverts,	12.75

L. M. Hanff, express and postage,	\$7.78
“ “ fares to Worcester to borrow money,	6.34
“ “ administering oaths as Justice of Peace,	8.75
B. W. Potter, legal advice, 1892, 1895 and 1896,	45.00
Henry B. Davis, Treasurer Fire Brigade, amount received for old Hearse House,	5.00
C. R. Bartlett, expenses as Selectman, express, postage and stationary,	10.10
Peter O'Connor, repairs on tools,	6.00
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	\$575.97

BRIDGES.

D. R. Dean, lumber,	\$20.00
C. H. Howe, lumber,	1.50
A. T. Brown, labor,	4.00
W. H. Sawyer, lumber,	46.34
Dennis O'Herron, lumber,	5.00
M. R. Moulton, labor,	3.00
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	\$79.84

RECAPITULATION.

Town Clerk,	\$28.50
Selectmen,	102.00
Assessors,	111.25
Overseers of Poor,	69.10
School Committee,	113.00
Collector and Treasurer,	150.00
Constables,	8.50
Water Commissioners,	102.89
Sexton,	59.83
Librarian,	52.00
Cattle Inspector,	95.00
Registrars of Voters,	27.50
Auditor,	8.00
Ballot Clerk,	4.00
Highway Bills,	1,528.07
Snow Bills,	423.97
School Bills,	2,957.01

Overseers' Orders,	\$801.96
Incidentals,	575.97
State Aid,	368.00
Water Department,	294.78
Bridges,	79.82
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	\$7,961.15

GUIDE BOARDS AND POSTS ARE ERECTED AS FOLLOWS:

One near S. B. Bray's corner	1 post and 1 board
One near E. C. Dudley's corner	1 post and 2 boards
One at Junction Barre and Paxton Roads	1 post and 2 boards
One at West Rutland Post Office corner	1 post and 1 board
One near Charles Pierce's	1 post and 2 boards
Two near Pat. Delehanty's corner	2 posts and 3 boards
One near Miles Holden's corner	1 post and 1 board
One near Gen. Putnam's corner	1 post and 2 boards
One near Muschopauge House	1 post and 1 board
One near Centre Post Office	1 post and 3 boards
One on Pound Hill	1 post and 2 boards
One near Daniel Nihin's	1 post and 1 board
One near Walter Bartlett's	1 post and 1 board
One near M. Myron Smith's	1 post and 2 boards
One near D. R. Wheeler's	1 post and 2 boards
One near C. R. Bartlett's farm	1 post and 1 board
One near W. J. D'Ewart's	1 post and 1 board
One near Greenleaf's corner	1 post and 1 board
One near the Benjamin Allen place	1 post and 1 board
One near No. 1 School House	1 post and 2 boards
One near Addison Childs'	1 post and 1 board
One at New Boston corner	1 post and 2 boards
One near A. T. Brodmerkle's	1 post and 2 boards
One near Levi H. Stearns'	1 post and 2 boards
One near Sargent's corner	1 post and 2 boards
One near Upham's corner	1 post and 1 board

LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS, 1897.

Lorenzo Q. Spaulding,	T. Sibley Heald,
Edward F. Preston,	D. F. Smith,

Arthur F. Brown,
H. Edward Wheeler,
Geo. F. Goldthwaite,
Frank D. Forbush,
Dennis A. Smith,
John W. Adams,

J. Warren Moulton,
Fred B. Stearns,
Leon S. Dudley,
John J. Welsh,
Herman Bray,
Wm. W. Prescott.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. BARTLETT,	} Selectmen of Rutland.
F. G. BARTLETT,	
A. F. BROWN,	

Rutland, February 15, 1897.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

This certifies that I have examined the books, accounts, bills and vouchers of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Overseers of the Poor and Water Commissioners, and find their accounts to be correct.

F. R. FOSTER, Auditor.

Rutland, February 15, 1897.

REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Highways.

As Superintendent of Highways of the Town of Rutland, I have approved of the following orders on the Treasurer for the amount below, which have been expended in the following manner:

H. A. Kennan,	\$373.15
Jas. Scott,	115.95
E. Benjamin,	74.32
F. A. Kennen,	79.95
J. O'Leary,	87.60
F. Baker,	7.50
Mr. Casho,	45.60
L. S. Brigham,	7.65
M. D. Potter,	200.75
A. F. Brown,	136.16
Horace Smith,	59.55
Lewis Baker,	28.05
Willie Parker,	22.20
Charles Parker,	49.65
Bert Galey,	.90
M. Nihin,	1.25
L. Smith,	.60
J. Henderson,	3.00
T. S. Heald,	136.05
George Miles,	29.60
M. M. Smith,	1.60
C. L. Morse,	54.00

B. Oliver,	\$2.70
C. J. Campbell,	.75
H. N. Bemis,	3.60
M. Welch,	4.95

\$1528.07

During the past year there has been 54

Culverts repaired at an expense of about \$200.00

LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY.

2 Iron Bars,	2 Shovels
2 Hoes,	5 Picks,
10 Spades,	1 Long Handle Spade,
3 Stone Forks,	2 Manure Forks,
2 Cleavers,	1 Bush Scythe,
1 Stone Hammer,	1 Rake,
1 Plow,	1 Hand Scraper,
1 Stump Puller,	2 Road Machines.

Respectfully submitted,

A. F. BROWN, Supt. of Roads.

REPORT

OF THE

Collector and Treasurer.

LOUIS M. HANFF, Collector and Treasurer, in account with
the Town of Rutland.

		DR.
1896.		
March	12, Rec'd of C. W. Dodge, Treasurer, 1895,	\$441.83
	13, People's Savings Bank, on note,	500.00
	13, F. Hathaway, Trustee,	539.00
	27, C. W. Dodge,	130.24
April	4, " "	116.10
	7, People's Savings Bank, on note,	500.00
	20, C. W. Dodge,	293.31
	21, John E. O'Leary, payment on note and interest,	230.00
May	22, State Treas. ½ salary, Inspector of Animals,	57.00
	26, C. W. Dodge,	208.65
June	2, " "	211.01
	3, People's Savings Bank, on note,	500.00
	13, C. W. Dodge,	80.00
	23, " "	231.95
	29, " "	95.25
July	2, " "	143.02
	15, People's Savings Bank, on note,	500.00
	17, C. W. Dodge,	567.83
	17, Miles Holden, butcher's license,	1.00
	28, C. W. Dodge,	136.84
Aug.	14, " "	120.00
	20, " "	147.54
Sept.	1, " "	206.69
	3, " "	138.75
	17, " "	45.21
	26, " "	147.49
	29, " "	50.00

Sept.	30,	People's Savings Bank, on note,	1,000.00
Oct.	3,	C. W. Dodge,	150.68
	30,	" "	325.25
Nov.	7,	Peter O'Connor for old Hearse House,	5.00
	24,	C. W. Dodge,	378.38
Dec.	12,	Worcester Mutual Fire Insurance, (Dividend),	28.00
	12,	Corporation Tax,	10.84
	12,	National Bank Tax,	15.63
	12,	State and Military Aid,	317.50
	28,	County Treas. dog fund,	205.33

1897.

Jan.	1,	C. W. Dodge,	142.61
	1,	Clerk Central District Court,	3.34
	4,	Mather & Whiting, engineer's labor,	26.25
	4,	Geo. W. Hudson, janitor Town Hall,	5.00
	15,	People's Savings Bank, on note,	1,300.00
	22,	State Treas. water rent, etc.,	260.62
	25,	State Treas. income school fund,	362.57
	28,	C. W. Dodge,	290.60
Feb.	11,	Tax bills, 1896,	9,082.01
	11,	Extra Assessments, 2 Polls, 1896,	4.00
	12,	People's Savings Bank, on note,	500.00
	12,	Interest on 1896 Taxes,	10.55
	15,	Geo. W. Hudson, Janitor,	9.00
	15,	C. W. Dodge,	92.74
	15,	" Interest on Taxes,	173.23
	15,	For Engineer's Labor,	18.69

 \$21,056.53

1896.

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March	14,	Paid State Treasurer, note,	\$1,000.00
	14,	" " Interest,	200.00
	20,	People's Savings Bank, Interest,	20.00
April	2,	" " " "	100.00
July	15,	" " " Note & Interest	510.00
	15,	Order of abatement, (creamery),	38.85

Sept.	12,	People's Savings Bank, note and int.	\$510.00
	18,	State Treasurer, interest,	180.00
	18,	Order of abatement, (error),	68.00
	21,	People's Savings Bank, interest,	20.00
Oct.	1,	County Treasurer, one-half Co. Tax,	306.50
	2,	People's Savings Bank, interest,	100.00
	7,	" " " note and int.	510.00
Nov.	16,	" " " " " "	1,006.11
Dec.	1,	C. W. Dodge, collector's deed,	24.32
	2,	Co. Treas. one-half Co. Tax,	306.50
	3,	For recording collector's deed,	1.10
	3,	People's Savings Bank, note and int.	510.63
	14,	State Treas., State Tax,	367.50
1897.			
Jan.	1,	People's Savings Bank, sinking fund,	500.00
	15,	" " " 2 notes and int.	1,528.30
	15,	Order of abatement, (Warran Handy),	4.62
	15,	" " (A. B. Davidson),	13.20
	15,	" " (Denis O'Herron),	6.60
Feb.	1,	State Treas., interest on water loan,	468.75
	5,	Trustee Meade Fund, payment and int.	58.73
	15,	Order of abatement, (various taxes),	34.15
	15,	305 Selectmen's orders,	7,961.15
	15,	Balance on hand,	4,601.52
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			\$21,056.53

**ACCOUNT WITH WATER DEPARTMENT
CONSTRUCTION FUND.**

1896.			DR.
May	18,	Rec'd of People's Savings Bank on Note,	\$5,000.00
June	12,	" " " "	2,000.00
July	13,	" " " "	5,000.00
Aug.	1,	State Treasurer on 30 Notes,	25,000.00
Sept.	1,	Interest on Deposit,	20.72
Oct.	12,	" " "	18.75
Nov.	10,	" " "	9.56
Dec.	10,	" " "	2.93

1897.			
Jan.	11,	Interest on Deposit,	\$2.97
Feb.	11,	“ “ “	2.97
	15,	for supply pipe, etc.,	80.48
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			\$37.138.38
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			CR.
May	18,	Paid Lucian A. Taylor, "	\$5,000.00
June	12,	“ “ “	2,500.00
	12,	Cunningham Iron Co.,	1,800.00
July	13,	Lucian A. Taylor,	2,500.00
Aug.	4,	People's Savings Bank, 3 notes,	12,000.00
	4,	“ “ “ int. on same,	81.92
	7,	Lucian A. Taylor,	1,500.00
	7,	Cunningham Iron Co.,	900.00
Sept.	8,	“ “ “	600.00
	8,	E. E. Lawrence,	5.00
	15,	L. A. Taylor,	3,000.00
	25,	D. M. Wheeler,	500.00
Oct.	5,	Walworth Manufacturing Co.,	520.07
	6,	S. W. Trowbridge,	618.90
	6,	E. E. Lawrence,	22.20
	6,	William T. Brown,	32.50
	12,	L. A. Taylor,	775.00
	17,	Knowles Pump Works,	3,056.00
	30,	S. W. Trowbridge,	14.56
	30,	Cunningham Iron Co.,	200.00
Dec.	11,	C. W. Putnam,	5.00
	30,	W. H. Bartlett,	100.00
1897.			
Feb.	16,	Thompson & Wheeler,	646.15
	16,	C. R. Bartlett,	83.44
	16,	L. M. Hanff,	9.84
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			\$36,470.58
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			February 16, Balance on hand,
			667.80
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			\$37,138.38

A full account of Loans made for Water Supply will appear in Water Commissioners' Report.

Trust Funds in Hands of Town Treasurer.

Rufus Houghton Cemetery Fund.

1897.

Jan.	1,	Cash in Five Cent Savings Bank,	\$105.05
Jan.	13,	Paid S. W. Fay, labor on lot,	4.00
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Feb.	1,	Balance in Bank,	\$101.05

Helen H. Welsh Bequest.

1896.

May	18,	Cash in People's Savings Bank,	\$100.00
Dec.	31,	Dividend,	2.00
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			\$102.00

Sinking Fund.

1896.

Jan.	1,	Cash in Five Cent Savings Bank,	\$1,020.10
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1897.

Jan.	1,	Dividend to date,	40.90
	1,	Cash in People's Savings Bank,	500.00
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			\$1,561.00

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF, Treasurer.

Rutland, February 15, 1897.

REPORT

OF THE

TOWN CLERK.

The following births, marriages and deaths are recorded for 1896:

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE OF BIRTH. 1895.
William Edward, Thomas H. & Nancy M. (Gilman) Connor,		March 7 1896.
Nelson Miles, Henry & Mary L. (Miles) Calkins,		Jan. 29
William Crook, Jr., William Crook & Imogene (Staples) Hayes,		Feb. 1
Herbert Burton, Justin M. & Amanda (Spgnt) Burrill,		Feb. 7
—— Parker, Sarah E. Parker,		Feb. 29
Ruth, Frank D. & Jennie (Campbell) Forbush,		March 31
Avery Wentworth, Mark A. & Mary R. (Rockett) Putnam,		May 6
Marion, William J. & Ida L. (Foster) Hunt,		May 11
Annie May, Michael H. & Mary L. (Dooley) Scott,		May 21
Mary, Timothy & Mary (Shay) Leary,		May 22
Francis Charles, Frank & Melvina (Plude) Nadow,		May 22
Elroy Adams, Wenzell J. & Sarah E. (Adams) Brodmerkle,		July 23
Hazel Gertrude, Geo. M. & Annie H. (Hammond) Taylor,		Sept. 2
Alfred Sylvester, Anelion O. & Minnie C. (Cum- mings) Chickering,		Sept. 6
Leo Addison, Fred W. & Ada M. (Yuill) Handy,		Sept. 6
Morancy Mildred, Francis & Ida May (Freeman) Strong,		Sept. 12
Lillian Gertrude, Weston R. & Fannie (Spooner) Upham,		Sept. 20

Robert Anthony, Joseph E. & Margaret T. (Burke) Valley,	Sept. 29
Irene Louisa, Charles & Helen J. (Lowe) Parker,	Oct. 25
Louise Irene, Sumner A. & Rebecca B. (Koughn) Taylor,	Nov. 5
William McKinley, Charles A. & Jennie (Harper) Pierce,	Dec. 10

MARRIAGES.

1896.		
June 1.	Edward C. Sargent, Octavia W. Hathaway,	Rutland Worcester
June 17.	Edward P. Murphy, Rosanna D. Lavelle,	Worcester Rutland
July 15.	Lewis W. Brown, Nellie M. (Moore) Stearns,	Rutland Rutland
Sept. 29.	Fred F. Cowden, Annie M. Blackner,	Rutland Dudley
Oct. 1.	Fred H. Parmenter, Dottie A. (Luce) McKay,	Rutland Rutland
Nov. 7.	George B. Woodis, Eva L. Swift,	Rutland Thomaston, Maine
Nov. 5.	Clarence T. Oliver, Sarah F. Bemis,	Rutland Rutland
Nov. 18.	Thomas F. Campbell, Sophia J. Boughtwood,	Rutland Rutland
Dec. 10.	Clarence E. Cummings, Hattie B. Guilford,	Rutland Rutland
Dec. 25.	Walter A. Larkin, Lillie P. Wilson,	Berlin Rutland
Dec. 25.	William E. Lawless, Sarah S. Wilder,	Rutland Farmington, Maine

DEATHS.

1896.	Name.	Yrs.	Age. Mos.	Dys.	Disease.
Jan. 26.	Lewis Andrew Pierce,		1	4	Suffocation
Feb. 29.	—— Parker,			1	Exhaustion
April 3.	Violet May Wetmore,	2		8	Pneumonia
Mar. 11.	Louisa (Bartlett) Smith,	65			Epileptic Convulsions

May 7.	Hannah Hammond,	21	12	Tuberculosis
July 1.	Charles W. Allen,	52	3 19	Epileptic Convulsions
Aug. 27.	Caleb A. Ware,	83	8 7	Heart Disease
Dec. 2.	Harriet J. Sargent,	42	8 23	Pneumonia
Dec. 26.	Austin Preston,	64		Rheumatism
Dec. 31.	Hiram B. Oliver,	59	5	Heart Failure and Nephritis

The number of dogs licensed in 1896, was

98 male dogs at \$2.00,	\$196.00
9 female dogs at \$5.00,	45.00

\$241.00

Fees for registration,	21.40
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Paid County Treasurer,	\$229.60
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Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF, Town Clerk.

Rutland, February 11, 1897.

REPORT

OF THE

Trustee of the Mead Fund

For the Year Ending February, 1897.

Town of Rutland in account with F. Hathaway, Trustee.

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Cash received of Henry Converse,	\$450.00
“ “ of L. Q. Spaulding	89.00
“ “ for boiler and engine,	76.00
Received Interest,	19.73
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Total amount in my hands,	\$634.73

The Creamery buildings and land and some personal property are still in my hands, but are for sale to the highest bidder.

Respectfully submitted,

F. HATHAWAY.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

Town of Rutland,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1897.

REPORT

OF THE

School Committee of the Town of Rutland

For the Year Ending February 16, 1897.

Fellow Citizens:

We herewith submit our report of the Public Schools for the year ending February 16, 1897.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Population of the Town, U. S. Census, 1895,	978
Number of persons in Town between five and fifteen years of age, May 1, 1896,	170
Number between eight and fourteen,	121
Whole number of different pupils registered in the schools,	227
Average membership,	185
Average attendance,	182
Per cent. of average attendance,	.98
Valuation of the Town May 1,	\$523,422.00
Rate of Taxation, \$16.50 per \$1,000.00.	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Resources.	
Unexpended balance of 1895,	\$23.29
Appropriations of 1896,	
Salaries and supplies,	1,700.00
Conveyance of pupils,	600.00
State school fund,	362.57
Dog tax,	83.39
Due from state for tuition of boys,	131.00
Total,	\$2,900.25

Expenditures.

Teachers' salaries,	\$1,898.00
Conveyance of pupils,	499.00
Town of Paxton tuition,	40.00
Books and supplies,	240.36
Janitors,	57.50
Fuel,	101.25
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Total,	\$2,836.11
Unexpended balance,	64.14
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	\$2,900.25

Contingent.

Repairs and furnishings,	\$118.39
Incidentals,	3.15
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Total,	\$121.54

BILLS APPROVED.**Teachers' Salaries.**

W. G. Chaffee,	\$480.00
A. A. Heald,	112.00
A. E. Hartwell,	56.00
Label S. Hastings,	90.00
Ethel S. Pearson,	200.00
Lois M. Hubbard,	240.00
Virginia Lyons,	70.00
Lattie Bigelow,	150.00
Helen F. O'Brion,	80.00
Susan L. White,	160.00
M. S. Delano,	270.00
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Total,	\$1898.00

Books and Supplies.

Edw. E. Babb & Co ,	\$137.63
Ginn & Co.,	93.99
A. F. Merrill,	.15

F. Hathaway,	\$3.99	
W. G. Chaffee,	3.85	
Lois M. Hubbard,	.75	
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Total,		\$240.36

Conveyance of Pupils.

Stephen P. Allen, over pay,	\$ 8.00	
M. D. Potter.	49.00	
A. F. Brown,	10.00	
George H. Miles,	120.00	
Stephen P. Allen,	120.00	
E. H. Crosby,	120.00	
Alexander Lovely,	31.00	
James Scott,	7.50	
William Scott,	5.00	
Mattie E. Wheeler,	12.00	
A. O. Chickering,	9.00	
Alexander Lovely,	7.50	
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Total,		\$499.00

Fuel.

Joseph Davis,	\$12.00	
Walter A. Hunter,	21.25	
W. C. Temple,	20.50	
C. A. Spooner,	34.00	
C. T. Oliver,	.75	
Charles Pierce,	2.50	
L. H. Stearns,	3.75	
Charles R. Bartlett,	5.00	
Claarence E. Prescott,	1.50	
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Total,		\$101.25

Janitors.

H. Jones Davis,	\$ 7.50
Bell Baker,	2.50
Henry E. Whetmore,	3.00

W. W. Wilson,	\$7.50	
G. Edgar Fay,	2.50	
Mary Scott,	9.50	
E. A. Bemis,	1.50	
John Nihin,	2.50	
Teachers,	21.00	
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Total,		\$57.50

CONTINGENT.**Repairs and Furnishings.**

F. Hathaway,	\$55.07	
Fred S. Hunt,	32.05	
Prouty Brothers,	9.25	
Geo. W. Hudson,	1.81	
Joseph Davis,	1.04	
W. B. Ware,	9.40	
Elvin D. Lane,	3.75	
H. Jones Davis,	.50	
Henry Converse,	1.67	
W. G. Chaffee,	.25	
Peter O'Connor,	3.60	
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Total,		\$118.39

Incidentals.

Mrs. F. W. Chamberlain use of telephone,	3.15	
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		\$121.54

Statistics for the Full Year.

TEACHERS	SCHOOL	ENROLL- MENT	AVERAGE MEMBERSHIP	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	AVERAGES WAGES PER MONTH	No. of Pupils over 15	No. of Pupils Under 15	No. Bet'n 8 and 15
Mabel S. Hastings Ethel S. Pearson	Center Primary	53	45.5-9	43.4-9	\$38.66 $\frac{2}{3}$	0	0	39
Lois M. Hubbard	West Rutland	34	28.81	27.06	\$32.00	3	0	25
Mary S. Delano	North Rutland	40	28	24	\$36.00	1	0	20
Virginia Lyons Hattie Bigelow	South School	30	24.4-9	23.4-9	\$28.00	1	0	22
Helen F. O'Brien Susan L. White	Pound Hill	37	27.82	25.32	\$32.00	2	0	25
W. G. Chaffee, Principal	High School	33	30.16	29.25	\$60.00	17	0	16
Arthur A. Heald } A. E. Hartwell } Assistants					\$32.00			

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars that have not been absent or tardy during any single term for the year.

SPRING TERM

Mary A. Handy	Edson Hunt	Oliver Randal
Florence Kennan	Fred Hunt	William Stone
Jennie Browning	Waldo Hunt	Bessie Bartlett
Mary Loughman	Percy Nourse	Harry Bartlett
Mamie O'Connor	Hyman Blumenthal	Etta Bemis
Emma Taylor	James O'Connor	George Bemis
Gertrude Hunt	Clarence Prescott	Ida Ylikoopi
Julia Cullen	Leslie Prescott	Flora Sanderson
Howard A. Weeks	Frank Rivers	Mathew Cullen
Norman Woodbury	Fred Rivers	Harvey Crosby
David Hanff	Charles Randal	Mary F. O'Connor

FALL TERM.

Edith Cheever	Howard A. Weeks	Harry Wild
Phebe Harper	Ralph Bartley	Hyman Blumenthal
Florence Kennan	Fred Putnam	Joseph Tatro
Georgiana Taylor	David Hanff	Clarence Stone
Mona Woodbury	Edson Hunt	Etta Bemis
Leona Harper	Fred Hunt	Ethel Heald
Lina Chamberlain	Percy Nourse	Henry King
Mary Converse	Thomas Williams	Chester Wheeler
Anna Hunt	Fred Rivers	Clarence Hammond
Alice Hunt	Frank Rivers	Emma Taylor
Susan O'Connor	Oliver Randal	Ethel Williams
Alice Williams	Charles Randal	Mary F. O'Connor
William R. Edson	Leon Portrais	Harry Bartlett

WINTER TERM.

Nellie M. Goodwin	Lina Chamberlain	Oliver Randal*
William W. Wilson	Susan O'Connor	James Henderson
Howard A. Weeks*	Lottie Baker	Bessie Bartlett
Grace Parsons	Percy Nourse*	Ethel Heald
Benjamin Strong	Frank Rivers*	Joseph W O'Connor
Leon Portraise	James O'Connor	Mary F. O'Connor*

* Indicates perfect attendance for the year.

Truant Officers.

Truant officers were appointed at the commencement of the year, but no official service has been rendered by them throughout the year.

Memorial Day.

This day was observed by all the schools as the law directs.

These patriotic exercises in which the children are the principal actors, are seeds sown broadcast, the fruit of which in after years will be a generation of patriotic citizens, true lovers of country, having a profound respect for the old flag and its noble defenders, those living and those that have gone to their reward.

Number of Schools.

We have maintained throughout the year, the same number that were maintained in the two previous years, six in all, including the High School.

Their character and condition is well understood by those interested, and we think you will agree with us in saying that we have no reason to complain in regard to the work of the teachers, that they have been faithful in the discharge of their duties and anxious to promote the best interest of the schools. It has been our aim to secure the services of the very best teachers that we can for the salary that we are able to offer, and to retain if possible, the services of those that are successful in their work; and in one or two instances have increased the salaries in order not to risk the consequences of a change of teachers.

High School.

In our last report, it was suggested that it would be a benefit to the school to make an addition of one year to its regular course. The matter was carefully considered by your

committee, and we finally voted to add another year to the course, and in order to make it a success, we fitted up a recitation room and employed an assistant teacher. Whether we acted wisely or not in this matter, we will leave it with the intelligent public to decide.

Your committee also have added one week to each of the last two terms, making them eleven weeks. Whether we shall be justified in allowing eleven weeks for a term for the coming year, we know not, but would like to keep along in this line, and shall do so if a sufficient sum is appropriated to defray this additional expense.

The graduating exercises of the class of 1896 was conducted in the usual manner, and was enjoyed by a large number, indicating that the public at large are interested in the success of the school.

There will be the class of 1897 to graduate at the close of the Spring term, but there will be no graduating class again until 1899 on account of the change from a three years' course to that of four years.

We are free to say that the interest manifested in the school, and its success, is mainly due to the efforts of the teachers that we have been able to secure for the last two or more years, and we hope we shall not be compelled to make any change for the present.

A list of studies in their order selected to accommodate the four years course.

FIRST YEAR.

FALL TERM.	WINTER TERM.	SPRING TERM.
Language,	Language,	Language,
Geography,	Geography,	Geography,
Arithmetic,	Arithmetic,	Arithmetic,
Reading, Spelling,	Reading, Spelling,	Reading, Spelling,
Writing,	Writing,	Writing.

SECOND YEAR.

FALL TERM	WINTER TERM.	SPRING TERM.
Language,	Language,	Language,
Geography,	Beg. Latin,	Beg. Latin,
Arithmetic,	Arithmetic,	Arithmetic,
U. S. History,	U. S. History,	Eng. History,
Spelling, Writing,	Spelling, Writing,	Spelling, Writing,

THIRD YEAR.

FALL TERM.	WINTER TERM.	SPRING TERM.
Rhetoric,	Rhetoric,	Rhetoric,
Algebra,	Algebra,	Algebra,
Beg. Latin,	Cæsar,	Cæsar,
Anc. History,	Grecian History,	Roman History.

FOURTH YEAR.

FALL TERM.	WINTER TERM.	SPRING TERM.
Eng. Literature,	Eng. Literature,	Eng. Literature,
Geometry,	Geometry,	Pol. Economy,
Cicero,	Cicero and Virgil,	Virgil,
Physics,	Physics,	Astronomy.

GRADED SCHOOLS.

Your committee is quite confident that the opinion of the majority of the voters of the town, is that all the scholars should be brought together at some central point, thus enabling us to grade the schools. We have now about two hundred children of school age, which could be graded so as to have but five schools with an average of forty scholars for each. As we have said in a former report, the most serious thing in the way, is in not having a suitable building; possibly we have not the means to provide one, but we have

the old town house and the school building in the center, which could be put into shape for the accommodation of five or six schools. Of course nothing in this respect could be done until the town goes forward and builds a new Town Hall. We are not prepared to recommend this way of getting a suitable building, but this is one of the ways, and we think it would be well to carefully examine it and get at the actual expense according to a detailed plan with specifications, and compare this expense with the expense of erecting a new building with the same accommodations.

We have been prompted to say this much about this matter, from the fact that we find in all the Primary Schools such a number of grades, and such a large number of classes and recitations, that it is impossible for any teacher to spend as much time with each class as is desirable to obtain the best results, and often some of the parents think that the little ones are neglected for the benefit of the older ones, and on the other hand, others think that the little ones receive too much attention, whereas the facts in the case are that the teachers divide the time among them so as to give each their due share of attention.

It is easily understood by all that if all the children were brought together and graded, there would be a much smaller number of classes in each school, but an increase in the number of each class, and the time which the teacher has to devote to each class is of much longer duration, and is as beneficial to each one of a larger class as it would be to each one in a class that numbered much less. Much more could be said in favor of this change, but we will drop the matter here, hoping that you will carefully consider the subject, and after considering it sufficiently, act wisely and well when the time comes for action, remembering that the best legacy that you can give to your children, is to supply for them the means and opportunities to get a thorough education while under your care, and before they leave the home.

Our Duties as Taxpayers, Parents and Citizens of Rutland.

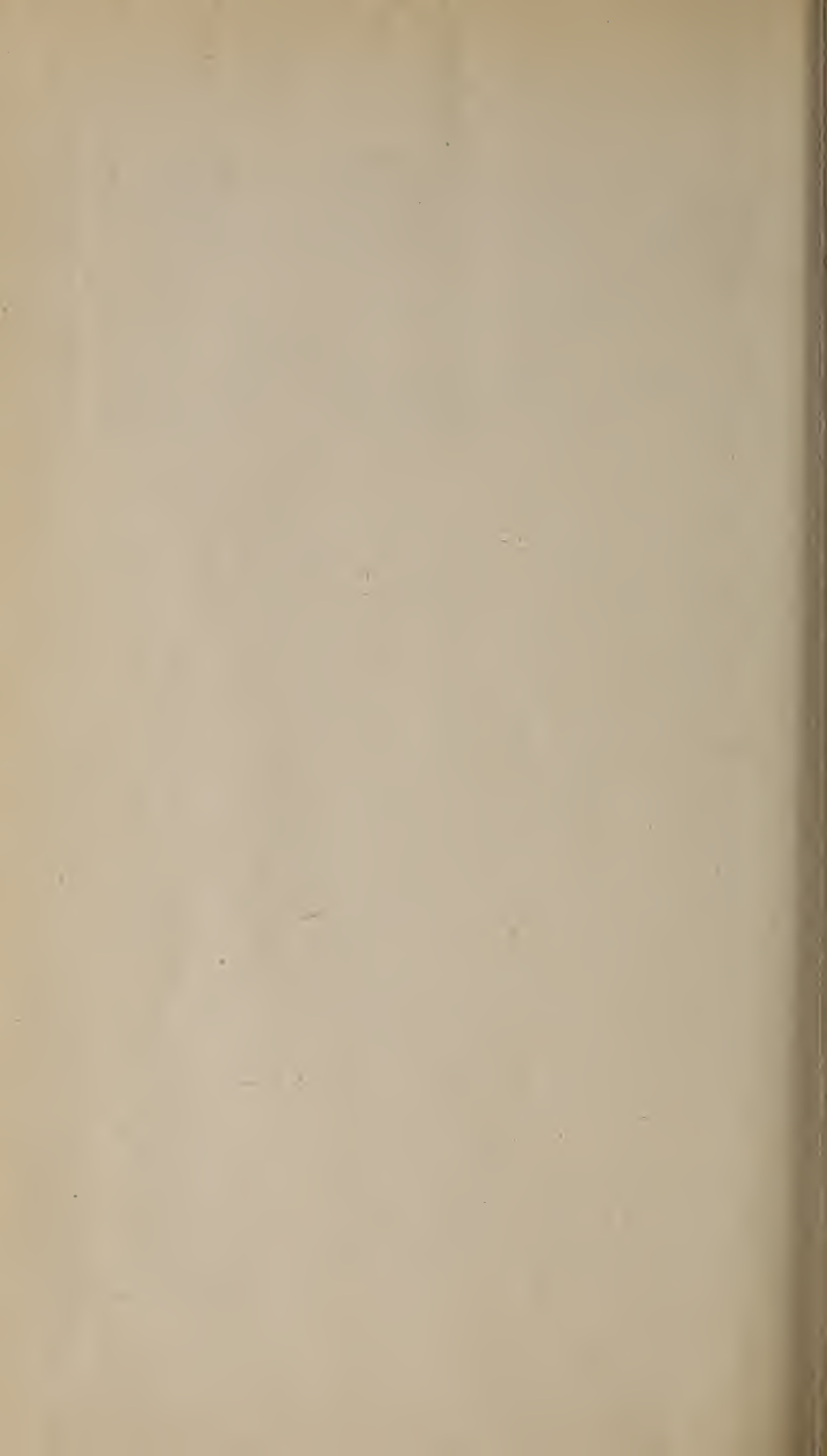
Before closing this report, we wish to present our views in regard to some of our duties relative to school matters. We think that all should be interested in the schools whether they have children or not attending them, an interest sufficient to induce you to visit the schools, and see for yourselves what is going on in the school room, thus becoming competent judges of their character and condition. But a still greater good will be the result of frequent visitations; the scholars and teacher will know by your presence that you are interested in their behalf and if these visitations were of every day occurrence, the children would as a rule, be ready at the time appointed with well learned lessons. So we say, (as it has been said many times before by wiser heads than ours), visit the schools, and by thus doing you will encourage the children to do their best, and give to the teachers the support which is their due, and also in all probability will prove a benefit to yourselves. We have abundant reason to think that many parents and those that have the care of children, are not as anxious as they should be to have them in school every day and without being tardy; if you will stop to consider the evil effect of this indifference, you will, we think, do what you can to remedy the evil in the future. The children that are absent from school any number of times during a term, suffer a loss which might be of great value to them and the loss not only effects them, but affects the whole class in which such children may belong and thus this practice becomes an actual injury to the whole school, and in view of this injury, we remark that no one has a right to allow those in their care to absent themselves from school for a single day, unless for good reason.

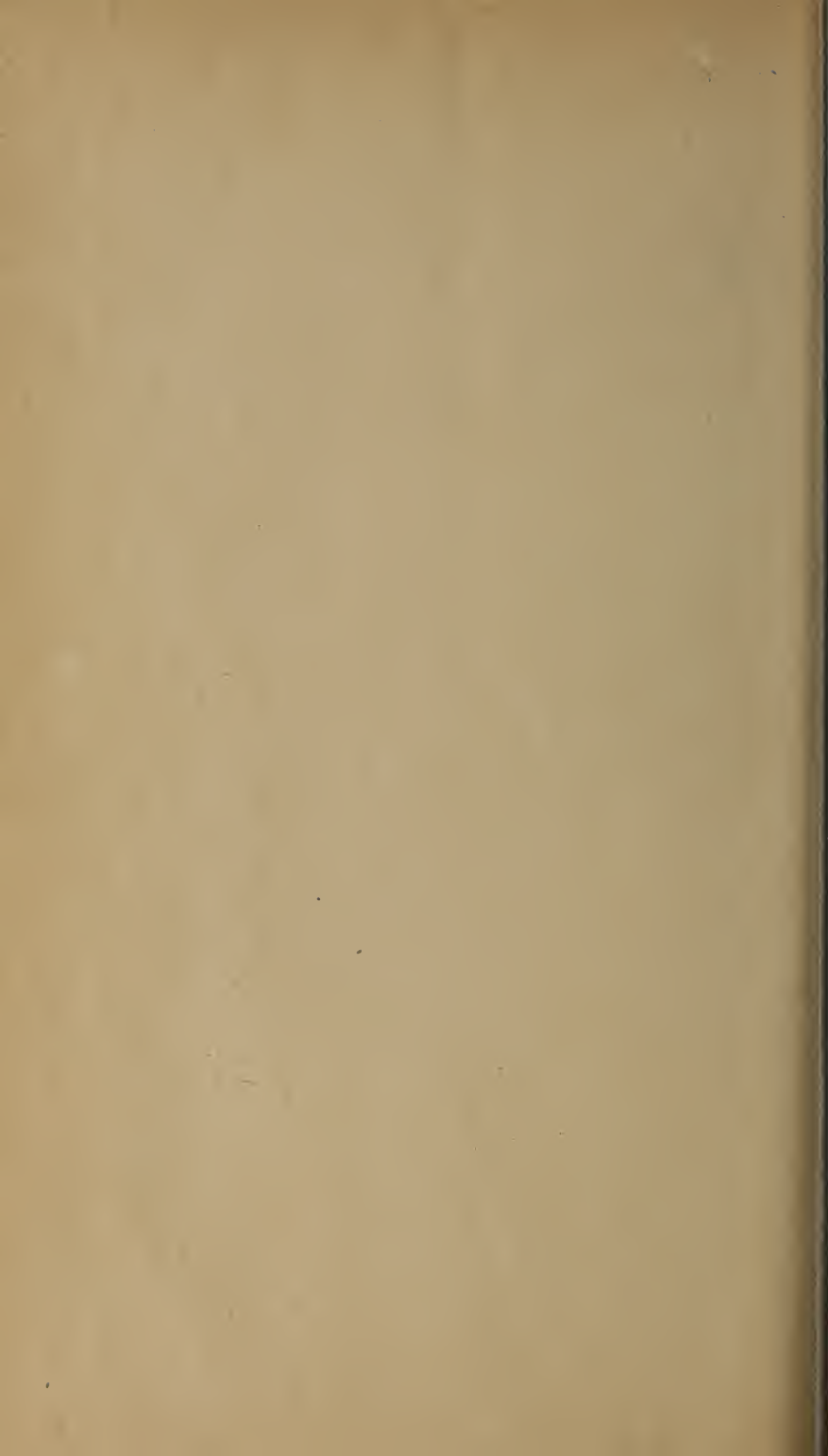
The Roll of Honor which we have prepared and is included in this report. Shows plainly that we have some reason to complain in this respect, but hope and expect that there will be no reason to complain when we come to the end of another school year.

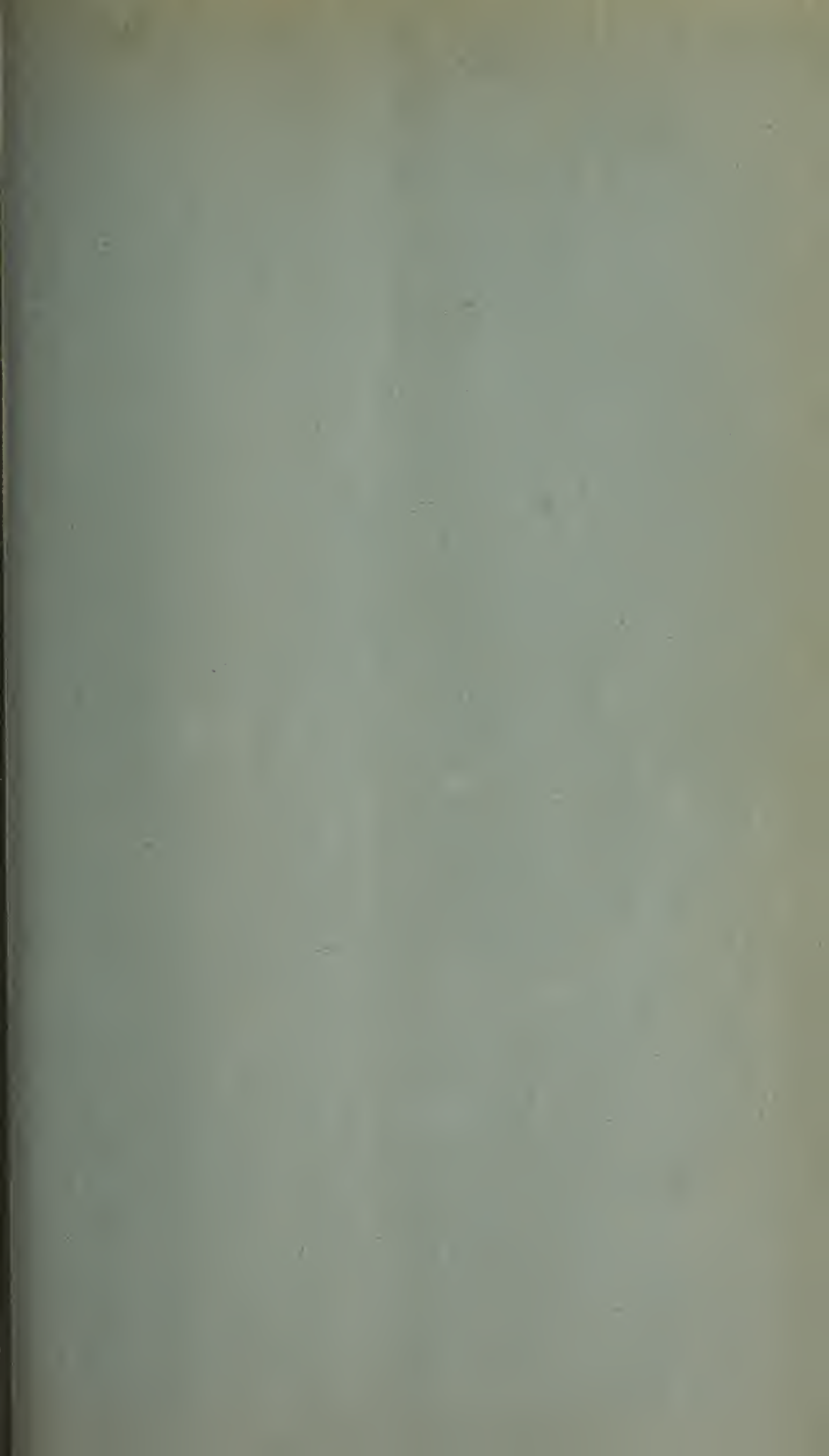
In conclusion, we desire to extend our thanks to the general public for their kind consideration and support, also to the teachers for their faithful services the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. HUNTER,	}	School
WM. C. TEMPLE,		
F. HATHAWAY,		Committee.







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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Water Commissioners

OF THE

TOWN OF RUTLAND,

INCLUDING

Report of Engineer

TO

FEBRUARY 15, 1897.

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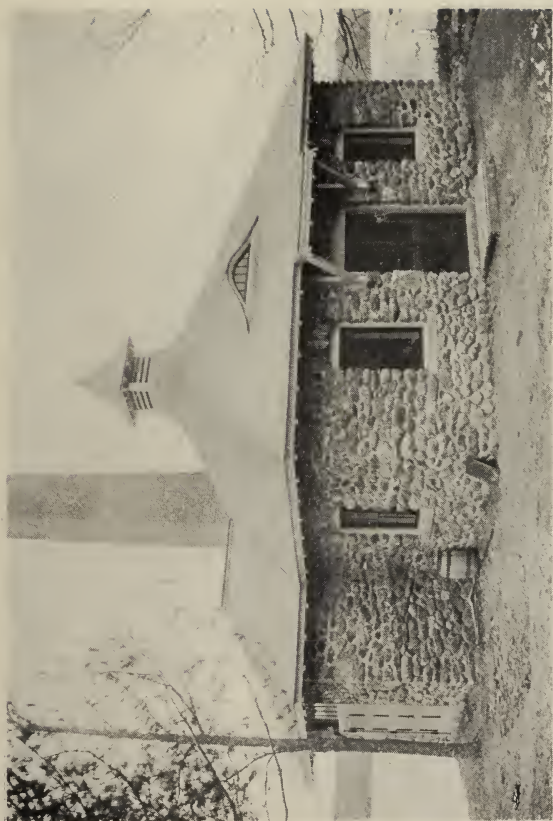
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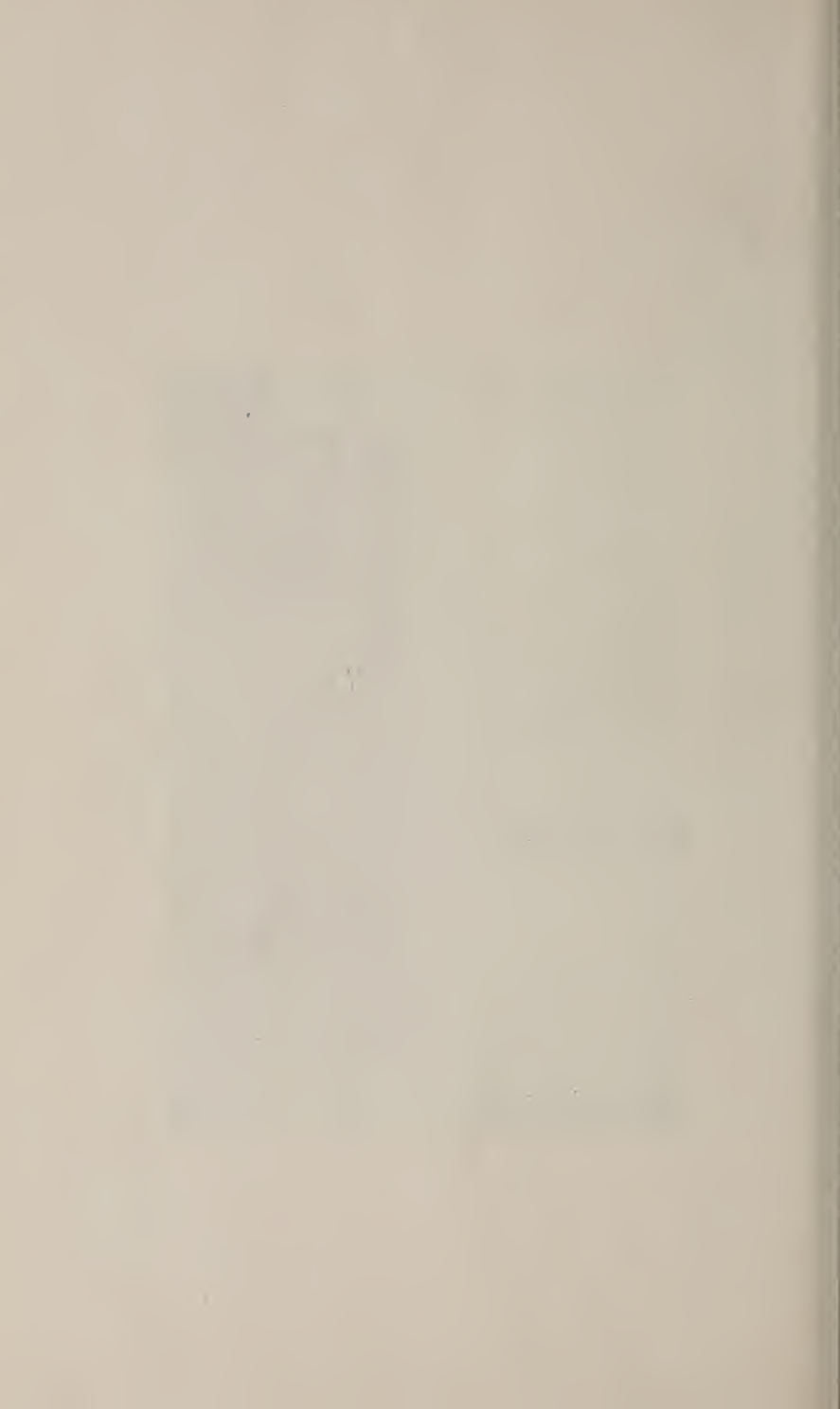
Report of Engineer

TO

FEBRUARY 15, 1897.



PUMPING STATION.



Water Commissioners' Report.

Your Board, thinking it might be of interest, will preface their report by giving a brief history of the circumstances leading up to the introduction of water for the Town. As several of the surrounding towns and the city of Worcester were looking for a water supply, and had been considering Muschopauge Lake for a possibly supply, some of the citizens of the Town thought it time to secure this right for ourselves, and the late George A. Putnam was instrumental in having an article inserted into the warrant for the November meeting in 1894, "To see if the Town would take measures to secure the waters of Muschopauge Lake and choose any committee to carry the same into effect." At this meeting the Town chose D. M. Wheeler, C. R. Bartlett and Henry Converse, a committee to carry out the object named in the article. As a result of their efforts, the Legislature passed an Act entitled, "An Act to supply the Town of Rutland with water," it being Chapter 158, of the year 1895.

At the same session of the Legislature, an Act was passed entitled, "An Act to establish the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients." Five Trustees were appointed to carry out the provisions of said Act. In pursuance of their duties, they found Rutland to be the most healthful and desirable location for the Institution, whereupon the Trustees conferred with the Selectmen of Rutland in relation to a water supply. A special meeting was called December 2, 1895, and accepted the Act relating to water supply, and W. A. Wheeler, F. B. Stearns, Henry Converse, L. Q. Spaulding, M. R. Moulton and C. R. Bartlett

were appointed a committee to confer with said Trustees and report at a future meeting.

That committee attended to their duties, and reported at a special meeting held on the 19th day of December, 1894, "That the Trustees offered to pay to the Town for their water supply, one thousand dollars per year, for ten years, and at that regular water rates." The committee also procured estimates tending to show that the entire system could be completed for a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars and recommended that the Town proceed to establish a system of water works.

Your present board of Water Commissioners was chosen: C. R. Bartlett for three years, S. W. Trowbridge for two years, William T. Brown for one year, and instructed to procure all the necessary rights and easements, and to proceed to construct as soon as may be, a system of water works. The commissioners forthwith met and duly organized with C. R. Bartlett, chairman, and William T. Brown, Secretary, and S. W. Trowbridge was subsequently chosen Superintendent.

Your Commissioners then secured the services of M. Wheeler, of Worcester, as Consulting Engineer, and through him the services of Thompson and Wheeler, of Worcester, were secured to take charge of the field engineering and construction.

Being desirous of obtaining all the information that we could for a system of water works that would meet our needs, we visited several systems before calling for bids. Plans were immediately drawn and specifications for the pipe line, pumping engine, boiler, pump house, water tower, gates and hydrants, were prepared and submitted to contractors for bids, and on Feb. 8, 1897 bids were opened and contracts were awarded to Knowles Steam Pump Works of Warren for boiler, pumping engine and connections, for the sum of three thousand and fifty dollars; the Water Tower to the Cunningham Iron Co., of

ton, for three thousand, six hundred dollars; and the line pump house including chimney, foundation for water tower, gates, hydrants and all other items not included in the other contracts for \$15,556.55. A contract was also made with the state, to furnish water to the hospital for \$1,000 per year for ten years. Having secured a very complete and excellent report from our Consulting Engineer, Mr. D. M. Wheeler, we annex the same, hereto making it a part of our report, thus avoiding the necessity of going further into detail in the matter of construction, which would otherwise seem necessary.

About 800 feet of two inch pipe has been laid extending from the end of the ten inch main, westerly to a point opposite the house of Geo. S. Putnam, and 2,350 feet of three inch pipe. This work being done under the Superintendence of S. W. Trowbridge. 31 service connections have already been made, and 13 corporation cocks have been set into the main pipe, in anticipation of future connections.

The connections were made and the water let on Oct. 4, and a public test of hydrant pressure for fire service was given Oct. 22, which was witnessed by several insurance men from Boston, Worcester and other places. The exhibition was favorably commented upon by these gentlemen, as they witnessed the fire department throwing high streams of water over the cupola of the Muschopauge house, both in front and in the rear. As a result of this test the Board of Underwriters have reduced the insurance rate, twenty-five cents on all property under hydrant protection. The cost of coal for the pumping plant has not exceeded our expectations.

We consider the Town fortunate in securing the services of E. E. Lawrence as engineer at the pumping station, who has proved himself to be careful and competent. While his services have not been required at the

pumping station. He has worked elsewhere, and the Town has received a considerable sum toward paying his salary which is noted in the Superintendent's Report.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.—Pub. Doc.

RUTLAND. The committee on water supply of the town of Rutland applied to the Board December 24, 1894, for its advice relative to taking the water of Lake Muschopaug in that town as a source of water supply for the town. The Board replied to this application as follows:

BOSTON, February 23, 1895

The examinations made by the Board, lead it to conclude that this pond will furnish a sufficient quantity of water of suitable quality for all the purposes of a public water supply, and that it is, therefore, an appropriate source of water supply for the town.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—State Board of Health.

Water Analysis. (Parts in 100,000.)

No.	Collection.	DATE OF		APPEARANCE.			ODOR.	
		Examination.	Turbidity.	Sediment.	Color.	Cold.	Faintly	Very
		Feb. 1897.						
18,479	IO	II	Slight.	Slight.	0.03	Faintly	Faintly	Faintly
						veg.	veg.	veg.

Total.	RESIDUE ON EVAPORATION.			AMMONIA	
	Loss on Ignition.	Fixed.	Change on Ignition.	Free.	Albumin.
2.10	0.70	1.40		.0044	.015
					.015

Chlorine.	Nitrogen as Nitrates.	Nitrogen as Nitrites.	Hardness.	Oxygen Consumed.
.30	.0030	.0000	0.5	.1360

For meeting the payments due the contractors on the first part of the construction, a temporary loan of \$12,000.00 was made with the People's Savings Bank at Worcester, Aug. 1, 1897; a permanent loan was not

ed with the Commonwealth for \$25,000.00 and
 es given to the amount of \$25,000.00 bearing interest
 he rate of $3\frac{3}{4}$ per cent per annum, payable semi-annually,
 the first days of February and August in each year,
 dated August 1, 1897, and payable as follows:

\$500, each year for 10 years from August 1, 1897.

1000, " " " " " " " 1, 1907.

1000, " " " " " " " 1, 1917.

The following is a statement of expenditures on
 count of the construction to February 15, 1897.

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

18. Borrowed temporarily, \$12,000 from People's Sav-
 ings Bank of Worcester, which was subse-
 quently paid from the permanent fund.

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| 1. | Borrowed and received from the
Commonwealth, | \$25,000.00 |
| 11. | Interest on deposit to date, | 57.90 |
| 15. | Received for service pipe and trenching, | 80.48 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$25,138.38 |

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| 18. | Paid L. A. Taylor, contract work, | \$5,000.00 |
| 12. | " " " " | 2,500.00 |
| 12. | Cunningham Iron Co., contract work | 1,800.00 |
| 13. | L. A. Taylor, contract work, | 2,500.00 |
| 4. | Interest on temporary loan, | 81.92 |
| 7. | L. A. Taylor, contract work. | 1,500.00 |
| 7. | Cunningham Iron Co., contract work, | 900.00 |
| 8. | " " " " " | 600.00 |

Sept.	8.	E. Lawrence, labor on service piping,	\$5
	15.	L. A. Taylor, contract work,	3,000
	25.	D. M. Wheeler, engineer's services,	500
Oct.	5.	Walworth Manufacturing Co., service pipe, tools, etc.,	520
	6.	S. W. Trowbridge, for trenching and making service connections,	618
	6.	E. Lawrence, labor of service piping,	22
	6.	W. T. Brown, labor sounding for pipe line,	32
	12.	L. A. Taylor, contract work,	775
	17.	Knowles Pump Works, for boiler and pump, etc.,	3,056
	30.	S. W. Trowbridge, incidentals,	14
	30.	Cunningham Iron Co., contract work	200
Dec.	11.	C. W. Putnam, for right of way through land,	5
	30.	W. H. Bartlett, for right of way through land,	100
	15.	Thompson & Wheeler, engineering services,	646
	15.	C. R. Bartlett, sounding for pipe line, drawing ^{sand} coal , etc.,	59
	15.	Albert Trask, extra work on pumping station,	18
	15.	John Henderson, labor trenching,	
	15.	Wilson & Holden, for lime and cement for pumping station,	4
	15.	Boston & Maine, freight on same,	
	15.	L. M. Hanff, Justice fees, expenses incidental to taking care of fund, etc.,	9.

Amount contracted for and not paid.

Cunningham Iron Co., 300.

L. A. Taylor,
Surplus unexpended of loan,

\$281.55

86.25

\$25,138.38

W. T. BROWN, Secretary.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Soon after the practical competition of the water system, on account of being away from town a considerable portion of the winter, Mr. S. W. Trowbridge resigned his position as Superintendent, and C. R. Bartlett was chosen to fill the vacancy. Nearly all of the trenching and service connections were made under the supervision of Mr. Trowbridge, he having left on file a full and complete list of plans and measurements of line of service pipe from the main, and also has indicated on the same all points tapped for future connections.

There is due the Town for trenching, piping and making connections from street line to dwellings and other buildings which has not been otherwise reported, and which stands credited to the construction fund, \$316.24, which together with the surplus in hands of Treasurer after paying all bills due for construction of \$86.25, will leave a balance of \$402.49. It is proper to state that there is due for services of E. E. Lawrence, engineer, \$34.80, and there has been received \$41.28, making \$76.08 to be deducted from the amount paid for services as engineer, \$194.05, and amount due him to February 15, 1897, \$26.00, making \$220.05, showing the actual cost of engineer to be \$143.97, which added to the cost of fuel, \$87.73, makes the cost of pumping \$231.70, from September

4 to February 15, 1897, almost one-half of the year and during the colder portion, thus consuming a larger proportion of fuel.

It is expected that when the engines and boilers are put into the hospital buildings that their engineer will run the pumping plant for the Town at a much less expense for engineer. There is also due the Town for water rentals, \$97.17, that has not been otherwise reported.

There has been received, as reported by Treasurer, for water rentals, \$276.18.

AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES AND TOOLS ON HAND. Supplies.

33 feet 2-inch gal. iron pipe.	7 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch brass unions.
450 " 1 " " " "	8 1 " gal. iron cocks.
270 " $\frac{3}{4}$ " " " "	1 dozen clasps.
28 " $\frac{3}{4}$ lead pipe.	2 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch Ties.
8 " 1 " " "	8 1-inch Ties.
2 1-inch soldered lead connections.	3 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch x 1 inch Ties.
11 Faucets.	1 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch Y.
1 1-inch corporation cock.	9 1 inch Ells.
1 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch stop and waste cocks	18 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch Ells.
4 1 " " " " "	24 reducers varying from $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch.
3 $\frac{3}{4}$ " " " " "	1 service box.
3 1-inch sidewalk cocks.	4 lbs. solder.
6 $\frac{3}{4}$ " " " "	200 feet measuring line.
Approximate value, \$95.00.	

Tools for Trenching.

3 picks,	\$3.00	3 drills,	\$1.75
3 hammers,	2.50	10 lbs. dynamite and caps,	5.00
1 spade,	.75	4 lanterns,	2.00
1 grub axe,	1.00	1 broom,	.50
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\$16.50			

Tools for Piping.

1 2 inch die plate,	\$6.00	1 B. Miller patent die ratchet	
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ inch drills,	1.80	plate, with $2\frac{3}{4}$ dies,	\$4.12
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ " taps,	2.50	1 Miller's ratchet pipe	
1 W. I. wrench for side-		cutter,	3.40
walk shut-off,	1.83	1 Stillson wrench, 14 in.,	1.20
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch taps,	2.26	1 " " 18 "	1.60
1 1 inch taps,	.94	1 " " 24 "	2.40
1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch die plate for		2 pairs Brown's tongs,	1.20
$\frac{3}{4}$ inch and $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch, 4 00		1 Coes' Block wrench, 15	
1 2 inch drill for ratchet,	.90	inch,	1.00
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch drill,	1.20	1 wall vise,	8.10
1 1 inch drill,	.53	1 Mall hinge vise,	3.00
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch reamer,	2.26	2 Packer's sleeve rat-	
1 1 inch reamer,	.94	chets,	4.05
1 $\frac{3}{4}$ inch reamer,	.63	1 iron crow,	9.60
1 2 inch Stanwood cutter,	.98	1 2 inch Walworth cutter	1.46

67.90

Total, \$179.40, which may be counted as resources to the Town.

C. R. BARTLETT, Superintendent.

In conclusion, we wish to say that the work has been done very satisfactory to us, and we cannot but feel pleased with the success that has attended our efforts to provide the Town with a first-class water system, especially when we realize that we undertook a business, every detail of which was new to us, and credit is due engineer D. M. Wheeler for the interest, ability and zeal he has manifested in the work, and the close attention Messrs. Thompson and Wheeler have given to insure its being economically and thoroughly done. We would not forget to mention that Messrs. D. M. Wheeler, and Thompson and Wheeler, have shown a very friendly interest in the Town by discounting $16\frac{2}{3}$ per cent. from their personal services on their bill, amounting to nearly \$150.

We are confident that the benefits to be derived by having pure water for domestic uses, and a hydrant protection in case of fire, will be appreciated by the citizens, and further the interests of the Town.

The State Hospital is in process of erection, and we believe that other enterprises will follow, that we could not have had without the assurance of a water supply.

Following this, is the report of the engineer, schedule of water rates, regulations, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. BARTLETT,	}	Water Commissioners of Rutland.
S. W. TROWBRIDGE,		
W. T. BROWN,		

February 15, 1897.

Engineer's Report.

CHARLES R. BARTLETT, Esq.

STEPHEN W. TROWBRIDGE, Esq.

WILLIAM T. BROWN, Esq.

Water Commissioners of the
Town of Rutland.

Gentlemen;—

I beg leave to submit the following report upon the location and construction of a system of water works for the town of Rutland.

The system constructed is the same as proposed by the preliminary surveys shown on map presented to the legislature when the act relating to the water supply for the town was introduced and passed in 1895, and consists of a pumping plant, a reservoir or water tower for storing water, the necessary force main pipes, and distribution pipes leading from the water tower to the centre of the town, with branches, gates and hydrants.

The work of locating the pipe line was commenced on December 30, 1895. Considerable time was spent in obtaining a line which should show the minimum amount of rock in the excavation of trenches. The line of the force main pipe was carried along the Southerly slope of Muschopauge Hill, and the line of the distribution pipe, instead of following the highway from the top of Muschopauge Hill to Rutland centre, deflects to the South, and passing through lands of the State Hospital, crosses the Wachusett Road near the house of W. H. Bartlett, and thence through private lands to and through the ornamental grounds of the Rural Cemetery, from

which point the line follows the highway to its terminus near the Town Hall. By this line a large amount of rock on Muschopauge Hill and Pound Hill was avoided.

Specifications for the pipe line, pumping engine, boiler, pump house, water tower, gates and hydrants were prepared and submitted to contractors for bids, and upon February 8, 1896, the contract for boiler, pumping engine, and connections was awarded to the Knowles Steam Pump Works of Warren; the water tower to the Cunningham Iron Co. of Boston, and the general contract embracing all the work not included in the above items to Lucian A. Taylor of Worcester. Work was begun by Mr. Taylor on April 27, 1896, and the work was practically completed September 1, 1896, three months later than called for by the contract, and water was let on for the first time on September 4, 1896, at noon.

The pump house 28'x42' situated on the west shore of Lake Muschopauge is built after plans by Mr. F. R. Bartlett, architect. It is a tasty building of field stone laid in cement and neatly painted. The roof is laid with black slate from the Monson, Me. quarries, and is surmounted by a cupola and finial, the ridges being covered with copper.

A brick chimney 62½ feet high with a circular flue 22 inches in diameter is built adjoining the pump house. Inside the building, the boiler, pumping engine, air pump, feed pump and connections are conveniently arranged and there are also coal bunkers having a capacity of 20 tons.

The ordinary level of Lake Muschopauge is 1021 feet, and the top of the water tower on the summit of Muschopauge Hill is 1352 feet above the sea, which makes it necessary to pump, when the tower is full, to an elevation of 331 feet, or against a pressure of 143.32 lbs. per square inch, not including friction.

For this reason it became necessary to provide a special pump of more than ordinary weight and power. Our specifications sent out to bidders called for an engine to pump 350

U. S. gallons per minute at a piston speed of 61 ft. per minute against a head of 160 lbs. including friction, but when the Knowles Steam Pump Works were awarded the contract they agreed to build an engine that should be tested to a pressure of 250 lbs., which is the same as required in underwriters pumps. The result is that you have an engine better than was specified and far in excess of any actual need, a machine that can be run at a piston speed of 125 ft. per minute, does its work easily and economically, and whose capacity is about 1,000,000 gallons per day, instead of 500,000 as specified. This pump is a Knowles duplex compound condensing pumping engine having

10" high pressure steam cylinders,
 20" low pressure steam cylinders,
 8½" pump cylinders,
 All of 12" stroke.

The suction pipe of this pump is 12" and the discharge pipe 10" in diameter. The steam cylinders are jacketed, covered and lagged, and the steam pipes are also covered.

There is an independent air pump having a 6" steam cylinder, a 9" air cylinder with 10" stroke, and an improved jet condenser, so that it can take water from the injection pipe, and also from a force injection pipe leading from the force main. There is also a duplex direct acting boiler feed pump, having 3" steam cylinders, 2" water cylinders, and 3" stroke, which is connected so as to draw water either from the hot well, or from force main.

All the pumps have the best sight feed lubricators for oiling the steam cylinders. There are also water and steam gauges and a revolution counter reading to 1,000,000 revolutions. There is also an improved vertical feed water heater, with copper coil which heats the water before it is injected into the boiler.

A Cunningham horizontal tubular boiler 54" in diameter,

15'-6" in length, containing 64 best American lap welded tubes 3" in diameter by 14' long, furnishes steam for the pumping engine. It is made of open hearth homogeneous fire box steel 11-32" thick, with heads of flanged steel 1/2" thick. It is set in brick, and supplied with a Locke Damper Regulator, which operates automatically. There are also a set of fire tools, wrenches, etc., making the pumping plant a very complete one; economical and easy to operate.

The intake or suction pipe is 12" in diameter and 132 1/2 feet long, extending from the pump house to and into the Lake. The outer end which is fitted with a strainer, is about 6 feet below the natural surface of the Lake, and about 4 feet above the bottom. The suction lift is 10 feet. Owing to the great height to which the water has to be pumped it was deemed best to use a 10" force main pipe to eliminate the friction as far as possible. This necessitated the laying of a small portion of the pipe on and near the surface of the ground, and wherever this was done, suitable embankments were built over the pipe to protect it from the frost. The force main pipe is 2312 feet in length. There are no branches or hydrants connected with this force main, so that the force exerted by the pump is uniform, and there will be much less danger of breaking the pumping machinery than there would be if the pressure were unequal or subject to sudden change.

All the pipe was manufactured by the Warren Foundry Co. The distribution pipe is 12" in diameter from the water tower to the Wachusett Road, a distance of 2657 feet, and 10" from the Wachusett Road to the end of the main pipe at the Town Hall, a distance of 5,096 feet. The 12" pipes weigh from 75 to 80 lbs. and the 10" pipes 60 to 70 lbs. per lineal foot, varying according to the pressure. The 6" pipes weigh 30 lbs per lineal foot. A 10" connection pipe, and suitable gates have been put in between the force main and the distribution main, near the water tower, so that water can be pumped direct to the town, if necessary or desirable, without

passing through or into the water tower. An 8" branch pipe, 860 feet in length has been laid from the 12" distribution pipe to the new State Hospital, this work having been done by the State. Gates have been put into both the main pipe and the 8" branch, so that water may be shut off from the Hospital without interfering with the supply for the town, and vice versa. Two six inch branches were laid in the centre of the town, one 503 feet in length in the Paxton Road, and the other 325 ft. in length in the Depot Road. Gates are placed in each branch near its junction with the main pipe. There is also a gate in the force main pipe at the pump house, and one in the distribution main in the valley near the Armitage place. The gates are all of the Ludlow pattern. The hydrants used are the Ludlow 5" post two way hydrants with 2½" nozzles, having 6" connections with the main pipe, Twelve of these have been placed at points best suited for effective protection in case of fire, and several more of the same pattern will be placed at the State Hospital the coming spring.

The greatest pressure is at the hydrant near the Rural Cemetery, which is 270 feet below the top of the water tower, and the least pressure is at that in the centre of the town opposite Paxton Road, which is 154.3 feet below the same point. The pressure at the State Hospital is about 185 feet. It will be seen, therefore, that there is abundant pressure at all of the hydrants for fire protection. The water tower is 20 feet in diameter and 90.2 feet in height, with a capacity of 211,792 gallons. It has been built thus large so as to afford ample storage capacity, and thus avoid the trouble and expense of frequent pumping.

This tower is erected on the summit of Muschopauge Hill, the bottom being 1261.6; the top 1351.8, and the hand rails surmounting the top, 1353.4 feet above tide water. It rests upon a substantial foundation of stone laid in cement mortar, about 2½ feet in depth, and founded upon the solid granite of which the hill is composed. An opening or chamber

covered with railroad iron is left in the foundation to afford access to the pipes where they enter and leave the tower. The tower is built of first class American refined iron, whose resistance to tensile strain is 50,000 lbs. per square inch of section. The bottom and lower 20 feet, are $\frac{1}{2}$ "; the next 20 feet, 7-16"; the next 20 feet, $\frac{3}{8}$ "; the next 15 feet, 5-16"; and the top 15 feet, $\frac{1}{4}$ "; in thickness. This gives a factor of safety of a little more than four at the bottom of the tower, increasing toward the top, where it is nearly ten. In other words the tower at its weakest point will resist a pressure more than four times that which it is called upon to sustain when filled with water. The tower is surmounted by a balcony, the floor of which is two feet below the top of the tower. This balcony has outside and inside hand rails at the top, and is reached by a circular stairway of iron, protected by a substantial hand rail outside.

The Cunningham Iron Co. began the work of erection July 3, and completed the tower and stairway August 25, 1896.

The lot of land on which the pump house is situated, averaging about 200'x75', together with a right of way from Wheeler Avenue to the lot, and a circular piece of land 100 feet in diameter on which the water tower stands, together with a right of way to it from the Wachusett Road, have been taken for the purposes of the town; and a map showing such taking, and the lines of pipes through streets and private property has been filed in the Registry of deeds at Worcester.

It is a matter of congratulation that the total cost of the whole work has not exceeded the preliminary estimate made by us in December, 1895, notwithstanding the fact that a more expensive pump house has been built than contemplated at that time, and a balcony has been added to the water tower.

The pipes, pumping engine, boiler and water tower are all of ample capacity, and the whole system, while not as large as many, is not excelled by any other in completeness of detail, excellence of work or adaptability to the needs of the town.

Credit is due to the contractors, L. A. Taylor, The

Knowles Steam Pump Works, and The Cunningham Iron Co., for the excellent character of the work done and materials furnished. In proof of this, it is but necessary to say that up to this date, four months after the water was first let on, no leaks have developed either in the pipes, pump or water tower.

The field engineering and superintendence of construction have been in charge of Thompson & Wheeler, Civil Engineers, of Worcester, with Mr. A. F. Goddard as assistant engineer, and Mr. G. P. Hapgood as Inspector; and to all of these gentlemen credit is due for the satisfactory performance of the work. In conclusion I beg to acknowledge the confidence you have shown in me, and the consideration that I have received at your hands at all times during the progress of the work.

Respectfully submitted,

D. M. WHEELER,

Consulting Engineer.

Worcester, Mass., January 1, 1897.

Rules and Regulations.

1. Persons wishing water must apply to the Commissioners, and must state the several uses for which the water is required. Blank forms will be furnished. Water will not be introduced into any building, or premises except on the written application, in the prescribed form, of the owner or owners thereof, or by a duly authorized agent.

2. Water rents must be paid semi annually, in advance, on the first days of June and December in each year. In all cases the owners of the premises will be chargeable with the rent.

3. The service pipe will be laid by the town to the inside of the cellar wall, or other place desired, and supplied with a stop and waste-cock; the taker paying for all that lies on his premises before water is turned on.

4. All apparatus and locations supplied with water must be accessible and open to the inspection of the Commissioners or their agents, at all times, and all the fixtures shall be subject to their rejection if in any manner unsuitable for the purpose. No increase or extension of fixtures shall be made without permission from the Commissioners.

5. All persons taking water must keep their own fixtures and the service pipes within their own premises in good repair, and fully protected from injury by frost, and must prevent all unnecessary waste of water.

6. The water must in no case be left running, unless by the written permit of the Commissioners.

7. No consumer shall supply other persons or families with water, or suffer them to take it, except for drinking on the premises.

8. In case of violation, by a water taker, of any regulation established by the Commissioners, or non payment of rates within fifteen days of their becoming due, his supply will be cut off, and the water will not be again let on until all cause of complaint shall be removed or dues paid, with an additional payment of \$2.00 for letting the water on.

9. In case of fire, or an alarm of fire, or in making repairs, or extension, or other necessary purposes of the work, the Commissioners reserve the right to shut off the water at once, and keep it shut off as long as may be necessary.

10. No person shall open or interfere with the hydrants of this town without permission of the Commissioners, or an Engineer of the fire department.

11. The town will furnish service pipes, not exceeding $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in diameter, from the main to the sidewalk free,—provided application is made in form required for the use of water, by the owner of any premises, situated on any street through which pipe may be laid.

12. When water is supplied to more than one party through a single tap, the water may be shut off in case of non-payment of either party, notwithstanding one or more of the parties may have paid the amount due.

13. For washing windows, sprinkling streets or watering gardens, not over $\frac{1}{4}$ inch orifice is allowed, the use being limited in all cases to two hours per day for each hose, except when meter is used.

14. All parties using water for stables will be charged for the same whether carried by hand or through pipe.

15. The use of hand hose is restricted to two hours in each day, between 6 and 8 o'clock A. M., or 5 and 7 o'clock P. M., except where the water is drawn through a meter.

16. Water takers that intend to obtain an abatement on fixtures not in use, or being relieved from water rates,

must conform to the following: Where a house has more than one tenement, and all supplied from one service, if any one of said tenements are vacated, the fixtures must be sealed, and if the house is vacant, the water must be shut off in the street, or the owner will be required to pay full water rates by notifying the Commissioners and paying twenty-five cents for sealing each and every fixture, or one dollar where the water is to be shut off in the street. No sealing or shutting off for the above purpose will be done till the fee is paid. When water is wanted, notify the Commissioners, and if the water rates are paid, the water will be let on free of expense. If you fail to do this, full rates will be charged and a fine of two dollars for breaking seal or turning water into any fixture whatever.

17. Meters will be furnished by the Water Commissioners at cost, or at a suitable rental to all water takers who desire to use them. The Water Commissioners reserve the right to put in meters at their own expense and charge for water by measure and not by schedule rates.

18. The Water Commissioners reserve the right to alter these rules and regulations at any time.

19. The Commissioners reserve the right to shut off water at any time for the purpose of making alterations or repairs.

Water Rates.

DWELLING HOUSES.

	ANNUAL RATES
Occupied by one family, for the first faucet,	\$6.00
For each additional faucet to be use by the same family,	2.00
When a house is occupied by more than one family and less than four, one faucet only being used for all, for each family,	5.00

When a house is occupied by four or more families and but one faucet is used for all, for each family, \$4.00

When a house is occupied by more than one family the highest rates will be charged for each family having water carried into their part of the house.

For the first water closet,	\$5.00
For each additional water-closet,	3.00
For first bath-tub,	5.00
For each additional bath-tub,	3.00
For set laundry tubs, not more than three in a set,	3.00

BOARDING HOUSES.

For the first faucet,	\$10.00
For each additional faucet,	3.00
For water-closet or bath tub when used for boarders,	10.00
Other charges as above.	

Where two faucets are used, one for hot and one for cold water, both emptying into one bowl or sink, but one charge will be made for both.

STORES.

Occupied as office, shop or similar purpose,	\$6.00
For each additional faucet,	2.00
For water-closet or urinal,	5.00

PRIVATE STABLES.

For first horse,	\$3.00
For each additional horse,	1.00
For first cow,	1.00
For each additional cow,	.50

LIVERY, CLUB AND BOARDING STABLES.

For first horse,	\$3.00
For each additional horse,	2.00

The above stable rates include water for washing carriages without hose. Where hose is used, \$3.00 additional.

HOSE.

For sprinkling streets, washing windows and similar uses, to be used only on premises and street opposite, not exceeding two hours per day for six months in the year,	\$5.00
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BATHS.

For public baths, and each bath in any hotel,	\$5.00
For water closet in public bath houses or hotel,	5.00
Each additional,	3.00

STEAM ENGINE.

For each stationary steam engine working not over ten hours a day, for each horse power,	\$6.00
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BUILDING PURPOSES.

For every cast of lime or cement used,	\$0.05
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ORNAMENTAL FOUNTAINS.

(To be used not more than three hours a day for a period of not more than four months in the year.)

For a jet of one-sixteenth of an inch,	\$ 5.00
For a jet of one-eighth of an inch,	10.00
For a jet of one-quarter of an inch,	15.00
To be shut off at the discretion of the superintendent.	

MANUFACTORIES.

And for all purposes not enumerated in the rates, special contracts to be made with the Commissioners.

CHARLES R. BARTLETT,	{	Water Commissioners, Town of Rutland.
STEPHEN W. TROWBRIDGE,		
WILLIAM T. BROWN,		

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TOWN WARRANT.

WORCESTER, SS. To J. WARREN MOULTON, CONSTABLE
OF THE TOWN OF RUTLAND, IN THE
COUNTY OF WORCESTER:

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Rutland, on Monday, the seventh day of March, inst., at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1.—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2.—To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.

ART. 3.—To bring in and deposit their ballots for a Town Clerk for one year, for three Selectmen for one year, three Assessors for one year, three Overseers of Poor for one year, a Town Treasurer for one year, a Collector of Taxes for one year, five Constables for one year, an auditor for one year, one member of the School Committee for three years, one member of the Water Commissioners for three years, and one member of the Trustees of the Free Public Library for three years, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question, "shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?" All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (x) after his name. The Polls will be opened at 10 o'clock a. m., and may be closed at 2 o'clock p. m.

- ART. 4.—To choose all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.
- ART. 5.—To see what interest shall be collected on Taxes not paid in a specified time.
- ART. 6.—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town, under the approval of the Selectmen.
- ART. 7.—To see if the Treasurer shall be Collector of Taxes, and determine the compensation for the same.
- ART. 8.—To see what sums of money the Town shall raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools; for repairs of Highways and Bridges; for the support of the Poor; for State and Military Aid; for use on Memorial Day; for Transportation to and from the Public Schools, and for Contingent Expenses and paying Debts.
- ART. 9.—To see what action the Town will take to have the Town House and Hose House taken care of.
- ART. 10.—To see if the Town will accept of the list of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.
- ART. 11.—To see if the Town will vote to build a new School-house, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or act anything in relation thereto.
- ART. 12.—To see if the Town will vote to enforce the Sunday Law against hunting and fishing, or act anything thereon.
- ART. 13.—To see if the Town will vote to sell any of the School-houses, or act anything thereon.
- ART. 14.—To see if the Town will vote to relinquish any claim it may have to a portion of a school-lot in District No. 3, so called, in favor of the Boston & Maine R. R., for the purpose of extending the depot grounds at Muschopauge Station, or act thereon.

ART. 15.—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum sufficient to comply with Chap. 439, of the Acts of 1897, or act anything thereon.

ART. 16.—To see if the Town will vote to extend the Water System to some point on the Paxton Road, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 17.—To see if the Town will vote to abate any Taxes in the hands of the Collector.

ART. 18.—To see if the Town will authorize the copying of certain Records, or act anything thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to vote of said Town, one at each Post Office, and one at the Congregational Church, in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Fifteenth day of February in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

C. R. BARTLETT,	} Selectmen
F. G. BARTLETT,	
A. F. BROWN,	
	of
	Rutland.

Report of Overseers

OF THE

TOWN OF RUTLAND,

For the Year Ending February 1, 1898,

IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

We have paid Holden Association \$318.05, at a cost per week of each inmate, \$1.829.

EXPENSE OUTSIDE.

North Brookfield, Mrs. Eliza Clark,	\$ 37.50
Paid Wheeler Bros., for Mrs. Townsend,	180.89
H. A. Kennen, expense to Springfield and Wilbraham; care of Hatty A. Snow,	8.78
Town of Blackstone, care of Rose Roan,	2.86
Putnam & Davis, stationery,	1.70
Chas. E. Parker, care of Hatty T. Conway,	4.73
City of Springfield, for Hatty E. Snow,	27.45
Samuel C. Sherman, board of Henry Clark,	34.57
Dr. Walcott, for L. B. Chickering,	2.00
R. C. Prescott, burial expenses L. B. Chick- ering,	21.00
R. C. Prescott, burial expenses Mrs. Edmund Rice,	21.00
Samuel C. Sherman, board of Henry Clark,	17.57
Town of Dana, board of Hannah Martin,	52.00
E. W. Merrick, care and board of tramps,	3.00
Town of Hubbardston, for Mrs. Townsend,	9.01
Dr. Wm. E. Chamberlin, for Henry Supple,	13.50
Wm. A. Whitmore, board of Henry Supple,	7.00
Henry Converse, bill for Mrs. Prescott,	15.64
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	\$778.25

Received of Town of Hopkinton, for Hatty T. Conway,	\$4.73
Due from State Board, on account of Henry Supple, for board,	7.00
For medical attendance,	13.50
	<hr/> \$20.50
Net expense for supporting the poor the past year,	\$753.02

H. A. KENNEN,
G. W. COWDEN,
HENRY CONVERSE, } Overseers.

PREAMBLE AND BY-LAWS OF POOR FARM ASSOCIATION.

We, the subscribers, representing the Towns of Paxton, Holden, Hubbardston, Oakham, Rutland, Phillipston and Westminster, chosen under an article in a warrant for a Town Meeting in our respective Towns, held in November, 1897, reading substantially as follows:

"To see if the Town will choose a committee of three, with power to act with similiar committees, which may be appointed by other Towns, to select a suitable place for the co-operative care of the poor, and to arrange terms and conditions for the use of the same, or act or do anything in reference thereto."

By virtue of the authority vested in us by our respective Towns, at the meeting aforesaid, and to carry out the intent of our said Towns, we do hereby form ourselves into an Association for the purpose of caring for the poor of our respective Towns, to be called the POOR FARM ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE I. The Association shall be formed for a period of five years.

- ART. 2.—The plant shall be managed by one person from each Board of Overseers of the Poor of the Towns forming the Association.
- ART. 3.—The poor of all the Towns interested, requiring full support, shall be maintained at the plant selected, except the violent and uncontrollable insane.
- ART. 4.—The expense of maintaining the poor at this place shall be divided among the respective Towns according to the number of weeks' board furnished the poor belonging to that Town.
- ART. 5.—In case of death, the Warden shall notify, at once, the Town to which the deceased person belongs, who shall care for and bury said person at its expense.
- ART. 6.—The Board of Management, under this agreement, shall employ a suitable physician to attend and care for all paupers committed to such farm when sick, and the expense thereof, including all needed medicines, shall be charged as items of expense to such said Association.
- ART. 7.—Any Town desiring to join the Association may do so at the commencement of any Association Year, by vote of the Association.
- ART. 8.—SECTION 1. The Association shall begin April 1, 1898, and the annual report shall be made the first day of February every year thereafter.

SECTION 2.—The Association shall have authority to make contracts for the lease of Real Estate and Personal Property, to be used on the plant of the Association, such contract to be in accordance with these By-Laws.

SECTION 3.—The Association hereby select the Holden Poor Farm and the Personal Property thereon, as the plant of the Association, for the term of five years.

ART. 9.—The Stock and Personal Property on the said farm in Holden, to be valued for the next five years as the last eight years, such valuation to be charged against the Association, and any deficiency or increase at the final settlement, shall be considered as common items of expense or gain, to be borne by each Town pro-rata, according to the number of weeks' board of paupers each stand charged with at each annual settlement.

Articles of Agreement Between the Town of Holden, by its Committee, and the Poor Farm Association.

The Town of Holden, by its Committee, chosen and authorized by vote of the Town, at a legal meeting held November, 1897, hereby agrees to furnish Real Estate, known as the Holden Poor Farm, with the Personal Property connected therewith, to the POOR FARM ASSOCIATION on the following terms and conditions:

ARTICLE 1.—The Association shall carry on the farm after the manner of good husbandry, spending the hay and fodder grown on the place.

ART. 2.—The Association shall pay to the Town of Holden the sum of Three Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars (\$325.00) per year, for the term of five years, from 1st of April, 1898, as rent for the Real Estate.

ART. 3.—The Towns shall make all necessary repairs, alterations and additions at their expense.

ART. 4.—The Personal Property shall be taken at the former appraisal.

ART. 5.—The Personal Property shall be appraised by three disinterested men, consisting of the Chairmen of the Boards of Assessors of the Towns of Leicester, Shrewsbury and West Boylston, or by some member of these Boards, at the end of the five years. And any de-

iciency in the valuation at the close, compared with the previous valuation, shall be deemed an expense of the Association, and any excess in the second valuation over the first shall be credited to the Association in settlement with Holden.

ART. 6.—The Association shall pay 6 per cent, per year to Holden for the use of the Personal Property, reckoned upon the first appraisal. The Association shall keep the Personal Property fully insured.

ART. 7.—The salary and expense of the Board of Management shall be paid by the Town they represent.

ART. 8.—The sums above mentioned shall be in full satisfaction for the use of said property, and this writing in nature of contract shall be binding upon all parties, when signed by the committees authorized to do so, by the vote of their respective Towns.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

OF THE

Financial Condition for the Year

ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1898.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer during the past year, 317 orders, amounting to \$9102.88 as follows:

The appropriations of the Town are as follows:

State Tax,	\$367.50	
County Tax,	350.00	
Town Grant,	8,300.00	
Overlaying,	57.01	
	<hr/>	\$9074.51

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

State Treasurer,	\$8000.00	
Peoples' Savings Bank,	9500.00	
Meade Fund,	500.00	
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RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from Franklin Hathaway Trustee,	\$1200.00
“ John E. O'Leary,	400.00
“ Five Cent Savings Bank, Sinking Fund,	1103.44
“ People's Savings Bank, Sinking Fund,	1020.00
“ People's Savings Bank, H. H. Welsh Fund,	106.04
“ Due from State and Military Aid,	344.00
“ State, for burial expense of H. B. Oliver,	29.50
“ State, for inspection of cattle, one-half compensation,	72.25

Due from Townsend Estate, taken for		
Taxes,	32.22	
" Tax Bills, and Cash on hand		
from Treasurer,	7416.45	
" Unpaid Water Rents,	152.64	
" Unpaid Service connection,	247.44	
Due for Gravel,	15.00	
	<hr/>	\$12,138.98
Showing a balance against the Town of		\$5801.02

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.

Louis M. Hanff,	\$26.55
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SELECTMEN.

C. R. Bartlett,	\$36.00
F. G. Bartlett,	32.00
A. F. Brown,	32.00
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	\$100.00

ASSESSORS.

W. C. Temple,	\$45.00
H. E. Wheeler,	42.50
F. L. Cheever,	38.75
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	\$126.25

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

H. A. Kennen,	\$71.00
Henry Converse,	18.00
Geo. W. Cowden,	21.92
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	\$110.92

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

W. A. Hunter,	\$58.85
Sidney Crawford,	35.00
Franklin Hathaway,	
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	\$90.85

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

C. R. Bartlett,	\$10.00
S. W. Trowbridge, \$50.00, 1896; \$10.00,	60.00
W. T. Brown, \$8.25, 1896; \$10.00,	18.25
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	\$88.25

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Louis M. Hanff,	\$150.00
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LIBRARIAN.

Mrs. F. R. Foster,	\$52.00
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AUDITOR.

F. R. Foster,	\$10.00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS.

C. R. Bartlett,	\$30.00
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CATTLE INSPECTOR.

F. G. Bartlett,	\$144.50
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CONSTABLES.

F. L. Cheever,	\$2.00
J. W. Moulton,	2.50
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	\$4.50

SEXTON.

R. C. Prescott,	\$19.00
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REGISTRARS.

L. M. Hanff,	\$8.00
C. R. Bartlett,	6.00
F. G. Bartlett,	6.00
A. F. Brown,	6.00
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	\$26.00

BALLOT CLERK.

J. W. Moulton,	\$4.00
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SNOW.

John E. O'Leary,	\$11.66
P. A. Scott,	1.60
John J. Welsh,	17.81
John Shea,	1.05
James Waterworth,	4.50
James Scott,	1.28

James Hunter,	1.50
H. A. Kennen,	8.33
W. T. Brown,	16.75
F. L. Bryant,	5.82
G. F. Goldthwaite,	7.35
Lewis H. Baker,	1.50
Michael Gleason,	6.50
Gus Suderland,	9.83
Wm. W. Prescott,	12.08
Arthur E. Sargent,	4.08
Newton I. Sargent,	6.33
Wm. B. Boothby,	6.17
Sylvester Prescott,	6.33
Geo. M. Taylor,	7.60
Edward Mellen,	19.08
Herbert Heald,	5.00
E. M. Davis,	6.67
W. J. Brodmerkle	6.08
Geo. Strong,	11.00
James Hammond,	16.50
C. J. Campbell,	13.90
Leroy S. Putnam,	2.50
L. H. Stearns,	21.35
Joseph Davis,	6.41
Ebenezer Willington,	1.83
Wm. H. Hammond,	5.83
Joseph Strong,	1.50
A. F. Brown,	4.83
S. B. Bray,	2.67
W. F. Reid,	3.50
Richard Cody,	8.92
E. W. Ward,	1.00
W. C. Temple,	5.12
Horace E. Smith,	2.66
E. C. Dudley,	9.33
Michael O'Leary,	13.00
Daniel McCarthy,	7.50

W. A. Wheeler,	17.50
L. S. Brigham,	3.90
Lakeville Woolen Co.,	11.37
Geo. A. Hatstat,	16.93
Patrick Delehanty,	7.83
Geo. W. Cowden,	3.74
Daniel Nihin,	4.66
C. T. Oliver,	3.91
H. N. Bemis,	1.91
Peter M. Largess,	4.00
Warren Handy,	3.32
J. E. O'Leary,	6.00
E. H. Crosby,	8.33
W. A. Russell,	2.74
Frank Forward,	1.83
H. A. Kennen,	16.77
Geo. E. Thrasher,	2.67
M. Burnes,	4.50
Dennis O'Herron,	10.50
Orton W. Bartlett,	3.58
B. F. Strong,	4.50
C. E. Parker,	19.33
Wm. A. Russell,	6.50
Stephen Broderick,	4.00
Frank Forward,	8.55
C. A. Goodwin,	18.32
John W. Munroe,	1.50
E. Wellington,	3.92
T. S. Heald,	10.58
F. G. Bartlett,	2.16
C. R. Bartlett,	11.83
W. T. Brown,	18.33
H. B. Davis,	3.50
W. A. Hunter,	5.89

\$569.15

WATER DEPARTMENT.

W. T. Brown, record books,	\$3.50
J. Albert Walker & Co., coal,	99.88
C. R. Bartlett, drawing coal,	10.00
S. W. Trowbridge, expenses,	6.02
M. D. Potter, drawing coal,	8.90
Washburn & Garfield, Fittings,	4.90
E. S. Knowles, dynamite, caps and fuse,	3.12
G. H. Clark, oil,	2.20
F. S. Hunt, wood for pumping station,	6.74
C. R. Bartlett, wood for pumping station,	5.25
“ “ service piping,	10.00
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on coal,	32.65
E. E. Lawrence, engineer services,	320.40
Knowles Steam Pump Works, repairs,	26.19
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	\$539.75

INCIDENTALS.

J. Albert Curtis, safe for Treasurer,	\$30.00
Worcester Printing Co., printing reports,	61.95
Schuyler Prouty, insurance on school-house,	11.25
“ “ “ “ Town House,	7.50
M. M. Smith, for gravel,	11.50
M. R. Moulton, for gravel,	15.00
J. S. Wesby & Sons, binding library books,	4.20
D. F. Smith, appropriation for Memorial Day,	25.00
Worcester Printing Co., printing notices,	3.25
A. F. Brown, express and tools,	1.00
Geo. W. Cowden, putting in foundation of Hose House,	33.15
L. M. Hanff, court fees,	12.15
E. H. Tripp, printing,	21 60
W. C. Temple, trustee of Public Library,	10.35
Joshua Henderson, labor on Hose House,	186.57
Suffolk Engraving Co., for plates,	5.00
Putnam, Davis & Co., collectors' book,	1.00
L. M. Hanff, painting Hose House,	30.00
W. A. Wheeler, for maintaining watering tub,	5.00

Brewster & Draper, tinning on Hose House,	12.26
Fay & Stone, lumber for Hose House,	171.18
Geo. E. Allen, two edges for road machines,	17.00
M. A. Putnam, digging on foundation for Hose House,	1.05
Geo. Tyler Co., repairs on road machine,	8.00
E. B. Badger, copper finial for Hose House,	7.00
G. W. Hudson, laying chimney for Hose House,	4.50
F. A. Nichols, nails for Hose House,	9.15
E. H. Tripp, printing,	2.00
G. W. Hudson, repairs on Town Hall,	5.50
Charles Baker & Co., lumber and finish for Hose House,	95.35
John Newman, labor on foundation, and pointing underpinning of Hose House,	8.50
F. L. Cheever, court expenses,	8.10
L. M. Hanff, " "	23.38
Greenough, Adams & Cushing, ink,	.80
Mathew & Whiting, brick for chimney of Hose House,	4.80
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on lumber for Hose House,	11.57
C. R. Bartlett, drawing lumber and material for Hose House,	6.80
C. R. Bartlett, furnishing window and door locks, outer door, putting in basement door, etc.,	5.00
Geo. W. Cowden, services on committee,	1.00
Wilson & Holden, lime and cement for Hose House,	5.05
F. S. Hunt, lumber for Hose House,	197.28
J. M. Kennedy Co., spikes, tools, etc.,	2.85
E. H. Tripp, printing library supplements and tax bills,	10.50
A. W. Macomber, court expenses,	24.89
Louis M. Hanff, expenses negotiating loans, purchas- ing safe, etc.,	13.58
Louis M. Hanff, administering oaths to cattle inspector,	11.00
" " express on documents,	4.25
" " postage and stationery,	3.25
Ellwood Adams, hardware for Hose House,	5.54
F. B. Stearns, for gravel and repairing scraper,	14.65

Mary E. Pierce, (widow of Brigham Pierce) soldiers' relief, to Town of Leicester,	48.00
A. F. Brown, court expenses,	3.94
Henry Converse, rakes, hoes, spikes, etc.,	3.25
C. R. Bartlett, services in building Hose House,	10.00
C. R. Bartlett, express, postage, freight, etc.,	5.05
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	\$1241.49

BRIDGES.

F. S. Hunt, lumber,	\$31.24
Dennis O'Herron, timber,	5.00
W. H. Sawyer, lumber,	19.64
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	\$55.88

RECAPITULATION.

Town Clerk,	\$26.55
Selectmen,	100.00
Assessors,	126.25
Overseers of Poor.	110.92
School Committee,	90.85
Water Commissioners,	88.25
Collector and Treasurer,	150.00
Librarian,	52.00
Constables,	4.50
Sexton,	19.00
Registrars,	26.00
Auditor,	10.00
Ballot Clerk,	4.00
Cattle Inspector,	144.50
Superintendent of Water Works,	30.00
Highway Bills,	1432.60
Cutting Brush,	102.92
Snow Bills,	569.15
School Bills,	3063.02
Overseers' Orders,	771.25
Incidentals,	1241.49

State Aid,	344.00
Water Department,	539.75
Bridges,	55.88
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	\$9102.88

LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS.

William W. Prescott,	George F. Goldthwaite,
John J. Welsh,	T. Sibley Heald,
H. Edward Wheeler,	Joseph M. Moulton,
Edward F. Preston,	Frank D. Forbush,
Lorenzo Q. Spaulding,	J. Warren Moulton,
Dennis A. Smith,	Ellenton W. Ward,
Hermon Bray,	Charles H. Upham,
Leon S. Dudley,	Charles A. Spooner.

GUIDE POSTS AND BOARDS ARE ERECTED AS FOLLOWS:

- One near S. B. Bray's.
- One near E. C. Dudley's.
- One at junction of Barre and Paxton roads.
- One at West Rutland, near Post Office.
- One near Charles Pierce's.
- Two near Patrick Delehanty's.
- One near Miles Holden's.
- One near Gen. Putnam Memorial.
- One near Muschopauge House.
- One near Center Post Office.
- One on Pound Hill.
- One near Daniel Nihin's.
- One near Walter Bartlett's.
- One near M. Myron Smith's.
- One near J. H. Waite's.
- One near W. J. D'Ewart's.
- One near Greenleaf Corner.
- One near Benj. Allen place.
- One near Addison Child's.
- One at New Boston Corner.
- One near W. J. Brodmerkle's.

One near Levi S. Stearns'.
 One near Sargent's corner.
 One near Upham's corner.
 One near D. R. Wheeler's.
 One near No. 1 School House.

The Selectmen would recommend the following appropriations for the coming year:

The State and County Tax,	_____
Schools,	\$1800.00
Transportation,	700.00
Highways and Bridges,	1400.00
For Cutting Brush,	100.00
For Support of Poor,	800.00
For Contingent and Paying Debts,	3500.00

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES R. BARTLETT,	} Selectmen of Rutland.
FRANCIS G. BARTLETT,	
ARTHUR F. BROWN,	

Rutland, February 15, 1898.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

This certifies that I have examined the books, accounts, bills and vouchers of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Overseers of the Poor and Water Commissioners, and find their accounts to be correct.

F. R. FOSTER, Auditor.

Rutland, February 15, 1898.

REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Highways.

As Superintendent of Highways of the Town of Rutland, I have approved of the following orders drawn on the Treasurer for the amount below, which have been expended in the following manner. The Town being divided into two sections and worked by two commissioners.—

The west section by Henry A. Kennen, as follows:

Geo. Rice,	\$107.60
Fred Parmenter,	107.60
H. A. Kennen,	174.42
John Woods,	60.00
Clifford Graton,	28.20
Walter Charter,	50.70
Andrew Charter,	96.60
James Scott,	34.65
Edward Benjaman,	65.85
M. Casho,	22.05
Joseph Scott,	1.50
Thomas Connors,	3.00
James Ryan,	3.00
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For Cutting Brush,	50.00
Repairing 12 Culverts and Bridges,	42.00

The east section by Arthur F. Brown, as follows:

A. F. Brown,	\$220.30
Frank Baker,	131.20
Geo. W. Cowden,	24.00
T. S. Heald,	71.25
Joseph Strong,	57.60
L. Burke,	57.45

W. Parker,	29.10	
Herbert Heald,	44.40	
Geo. H. Miles,	20.40	
M. Burns,	1.50	
Lewis Baker,	9.35	
Wm. A. Russell,	9.08	
Frank Forward,	1.80	
	<hr/>	\$677.43
For Cutting Brush,		52.92
Repairing 10 Culverts and Bridges,		42.00
Lumber and repairing three Bridges,		55.88

LIST OF TOOLS BELONGING TO THE TOWN.

6 Spades,	4 Shovels,
2 Iron Bars,	6 Hoes,
4 Forks,	5 Picks,
3 Rakes,	1 Plow,
2 Stone Hammers,	1 Cleaver,
2 Stone Forks,	1 Hand Scraper,
2 Road Machine.	

I would recommend a larger appropriation for Highways; also one for cutting brush.

Respectfully submitted,

F. G. BARTLETT, Supt. of Roads.

Rutland, February 15, 1898.

REPORT

OF THE

Collector and Treasurer.

LOUIS M. HANFF, Collector and Treasurer in account with
the Town of Rutland.

1897.		DR.
March	2, Tax bills and Cash on Hand,	\$4601.52
	11, Rec'd of C. W. Dodge. Collector, 1895,	103.31
	11, People's Savings Bank, on note,	1200.00
	11, Town of North Brookfield,	35.00
	31, C. W. Dodge,	108.60
April	5, People's Savings Bank, on note,	500.00
	20, C. W. Dodge,	205.97
May	1, " "	56.50
	6, People's Savings Bank, on note,	1000.00
	20, J. E. O'Leary, payment on note and interest,	130.00
	28, C. W. Dodge,	211.84
June	5, " "	215.75
	19, " "	202.49
	14, Stephen Allen, over pay, 1896,	8.00
	14, State Treas. Education of State Children,	123.00
	25, C. W. Dodge,	233.53
	28, " "	128.38
	28, " " Interest on 1895 Tax,	13.24
July	12, For Damage to School House,	5.00
	20, For Rent of School House,	10.00
Aug.	1, People's Savings Bank, on note,	1000.00
	12, " " " " " "	500.00

Sept.	1,	For Grass on Townsend Farm,	5.00
	11,	State Treas. Water Rent,	250.00
	23,	“ “ 1/2 Compensation	
		Cattle Inspector,	47.50
	23,	J. E. O'Leary, payment and interest,	112.50
Oct.	5,	People's Savings Bank, on note,	500.00
	15,	“ “ “ “ “	1300.00
	20,	For Rent of School House,	5.00
	23,	State Treas. water rent,	250.00
Nov.	11,	People's Savings Bank, on note,	500.00
	20,	Treas. of Fire Brigade towards	
		payment on Hose House,	200.00
Dec.	1,	C. W. Dodge, interest on 1895 tax,	92.30
	15,	State Treas. State and Military Aid,	333.50
	15,	“ “ Bank tax,	15.54
	15,	“ “ Corperation Tax,	12.15
	15,	W. Rutland Sunday School for wood,	2.50
	21,	County Treas. Dog Fund,	185.32
1898.			
Jan.	1,	Mather & Whiting, engineer's services,	78.48
	1,	State Treas. water rent,	500.00
	15,	People's Savings Bank, on note,	1000.00
	25,	State Treas. income school fund,	345.03
	25,	Central District Court,	.65
Feb.	1,	People's Savings Bank, on note,	1000.00
	8,	Town of Hopkinton,	4.73
	12,	People's Savings Bank, on note,	1000.00
	15,	Tax bills for 1897,	9074.51
	15,	“ “ “ additional assessments,	80.63
	15,	1 Poll tax bill, 1897,	2.00
	15,	Interest on 1896 tax,	118.16
	15,	“ “ 1897 tax,	6.93
	15,	Water rents,	95.50
	15,	Rent of School House,	7.00
	15,	Sale of Lumber,	2.50

15,	Transferred from Water Works Construction fund,	34.45
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\$27,754.01

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1897.

Month	Day	Description	Amount
March	13,	Paid State Treas. note and interest,	\$1180.00
April	2,	People's Savings Bank interest,	100.00
May	13,	Order of abatement,(Various Taxes)'96,	18.66
June	1,	" " " (Soderland), '95,	.88
Aug.	2,	Interest on Water Loan,	468.75
	2,	Note " " "	500.00
	12,	People's Savings Bank, note and int.	510.00
Sept.	11,	" " " interest,	24.00
	11,	State Treas. interest,	160.00
	30,	½ County Tax,	175.00
Oct.	2,	People's Savings Bank interest,	100.00
	5,	" " " note and int.	510.00
	15,	" " " " " "	1339.00
Nov.	6,	" " " " " "	1020.00
	11,	" " " " " "	1208.00
Dec.	1,	Bal. of County Tax,	175.00
	15,	State Tax,	367.50

1898.

Jan.	4,	People's Savings Bank, note and int.	505.00
	1,	Orders of abatement, (errors),	70.52
	15,	People's Savings Bank,	1313.00
	31,	" " " Interest,	20.00
Feb.	1,	State Treas. int. or water loan,	459.37
	1,	Deposit People's Savings Bank,	500.00
	12,	People's Savings Bank, note and int.	510.00
	15,	317 Selectmen's Orders,	9102.88
	15,	Uncollected tax bills, 1896,	1662.32
	15,	" " " 1897,	5256.22
	15,	Cash on Hand,	497.91

\$27,754.01

**ACCOUNT WITH WATER DEPARTMENT
CONSTRUCTION FUND.**

			DR.
1897.			
Feb.	15,	Balance on Hand,	\$667.80
Nov.	10,	By Interest on Deposit,	4.27
1898.			
Jan.	1,	By Cash from Consumers for pipe and Trenching,	116.25
Feb.	15,	By Cash for Pipe and Trenching,	37.56
			<hr/> \$825.56
			CR.
1897.			
March	3,	Paid Cunningham Iron Co.,	\$300.00
Nov.	6,	C. T. Oliver, trenching,	8.85
	6,	Horace Smith, "	8.85
	6,	J. H. Cadagan, "	8.85
	22,	Lucian A. Taylor, balance due,	321.20
	22,	J. H. Cadagan, trenching,	16.50
	22,	John Newman, "	17.15
	23,	C. T. Oliver, "	16.95
	23,	R. C. Prescott, "	17.10
	23,	Horace Smith, "	14.76
	23,	C. R. Bartlett, "	60.80
Feb.	15,	By Balance on Hand and Transtered to General Fund,	34.45
			<hr/> \$825.56

TRUST FUNDS IN HANDS OF TOWN TREASURER.

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND.

1897.			
Feb.	1,	Balance in Bank, Five Cent Savings Bank,	\$101.05
1898.			
Jan.	1,	Divided to date,	4.06
			<hr/> \$105.11
	1,	Paid S. W. Fay, labor on lot,	4.00
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	1,	Balance in Bank,	\$101.11

HELEN H. WELSH BEQUEST.

1897.		
Jan.	1,	Cash in People's Savings Bank, \$102.00
1898.		
Feb.	15,	Dividend to date, 4.04
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	15,	Cash in Bank, \$106.04

SINKING FUND.

1897.		
Jan.	1,	Cash in Five Cent Savings Bank, \$1061.00
1898.		
Jan.	1,	Dividend to date, 42.44
1897.		
Jan.	1,	Cash in People's Savings Bank, 500.00
1898.		
Feb.	15,	Dividend to date, 20.00
	15,	Deposit with People's Savings Bank, 500.00
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		\$2123.44

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF, Treasurer.

Rutland, February 15, 1898.

REPORT

OF THE

TOWN CLERK.

The following births, marriages and deaths are recorded for the year 1897:

NAMES.	BIRTHS. PARENTS.	DATE OF BIRTH. 1897.
Barbara Ellen,	Edward & Laura (Mugridge)	
Williams,		Jan. 8
Ruth, Thomas H. & Nancy (Gilman) Connors,		Jan. 27
Female, Illegitimate,		Feb. 3
Joseph Bernard, Patrick & Mary (Duggan)		
Murphy,		Feb. 9
Thomas, John J. & Margaret (Donnally) Welch,		March 21
Gladys Viola, Frank L. & Charlotte (Pierce)		
Cheever,		March 21
Earl White, Charles A. & Lucy A. (LaClair)		
Goodwin,		April 18
Daniel Joseph, Michael & Catharine (O'Leary)		
Gleason,		May 18
Mary Louise, Joseph M. & Louise (Somers)		
Moulton,		May 15
Grace, Edward P. & Rosanna (Lovelly) Murphy,		June 4
Frank Henry, Henry W. & Mary (Miles) Calkins,		June 9
Daisy Gertrude, Geo. H. & Katie (Shea) Willis,		June 29
Christina Louise, Gustaf and Charlotte (Wellington) Hedstrom,		July 12
Amelia Paulena Rosalina, Robt. & Anne (Wide- man) Ploetz,		July 23
Roy Ernest, Warren & Mary E. (Coddington),		Sept. 5
Bernice Fletcher, Clinton W. & Lucy C. (Dodge) Putnam,		Oct. 4

Arthur Edward, William H. & Clara (Sargent) Hammond,	Oct. 14
Blanche Louise, Clarence H. & Fannie (Graton) Ackley,	Nov. 1
Walter Ellery, John H. & Jennie E. (Miles) Griffin,	Nov. 15
Harold Gordon, Fred'k S. & Abbie G. (Wales) Hunt,	Dec. 12
Mildred Louisa, William H. & Emma (Harper) Nadow,	Dec. 21

MARRIAGES.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
Feb. 5.	Timothy Gallivan,	Taunton
	Mary Riley,	Rutland
May 2.	George M. Davis,	Rutland
	Julia L. Blanchard,	Princeton
June 29.	Arthur E. Sargent,	Rutland
	Etta L. Putnam,	Rutland
Aug. 19.	William H. Nadow,	Rutland
	Emma M. (Harper) Herds,	Rutland
Aug. 24.	Willis M. Demond,	Rutland
	Ethel M. Whiting,	Prescott
Oct. 4.	Geo. E. Thrasher,	Rutland
	Maria E. Warner (Potter),	Worcester
Oct. 10.	John J. Sullivan,	Rutland
	Mary L. Valley,	Rutland
Oct. 13.	Harry A. Mixter,	Worcester
	Julia T. Prescott,	Rutland
Oct. 14.	Herbert A. Ware,	Barre
	Edith A. Brigham,	Hubbardson

DEATHS.

1897.	NAME.	AGE. YRS. MOS. DS.	DISEASE.
Jan. 3.	Elizabeth (Clare) Connor,	71 13	Pneumonia
Feb. 1.	Sarah A. (Smith) Tucker,	66 5	Pneumonia
			and Heart Disease
" 18.	Fannie B. (Upham) Spooner	20 27	Dilatation of the Heart

Feb. 26.	Thomas Welsh,	74	10	2	Pneumonia
May 22.	Stillman J. Fletcher,	62	5		Heart Failure
June 4.	Lewis G. Goodhue,	9	6	6	Heart Failure
July 15.	N. Taylor Rogers,	68	10		Sciatica
" 24.	James W. Britton,	42	9	27	Acute Gas- tritis
" 24.	Unknown,	about 20 to 24 R. R. accident			
Sept. 23.	Ernest V. Sanderson,	12	2	25	Diabetis
Oct. 9.	Samuel F. Moulton,	22	11	21	Cerebral Meningitis
Oct. 18.	Lucy M. Davis,	80	7	8	La Grippe and Pneumonia
Oct. 19.	Elmer W. Bigelow,	25	3	12	Acute Tuber- culosis of the Brain
Oct. 21.	Olaf Olsen,	34			Cardiac Renal

The number of dogs licensed in 1897, was

97 male dogs, at \$2.00,	\$194.00
7 female dogs, at \$5.00,	35.00
	<hr/> \$229.00
Fee for registration,	20.80
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Paid County Treasurer,	\$198.20

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF, Town Clerk.

Rutland, February 14, 1898.

Cattle Inspector.

TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE TOWN OF RUTLAND.

As Inspector of Animals and Provisions of the Town of Rutland, I beg leave to report as follows: Since the Spring or General Inspection, which closed May 1st, 1897, there has been reported to me by this Board of Health, forty animals belonging to nineteen different owners.

Of this number, thirty-four were quarantined and tested. Twenty-seven reacting and condemned. Ten were shipped to cattle commissioners at Brighton, and seventeen killed and buried on the premises of the owner. Of slaughtered animals, only two reported, both found free from disease. Several cases of sick and dead animals have been reported which did not come under quarantined inspection.

Respectfully submitted,

F. G. BARTLETT, Inspector.

Rutland, February 15, 1898.

REPORT

OF

TRUSTEES OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Balance from last year,	\$59.32
Appropriation,	75.00
Received from non-residents, for use of Library, and from fines and sale of catalogues,	17.29
	\$151.61

EXPENDITURES.

Salary of Librarian,	\$52.00
Paid for new books,	86.53
Paid for printing catalogue supplement,	8.00
Paid for express,	1.00
	\$147.53

Balance, \$4.08

The whole number of books taken from the Library during the year was 1566.

Eighty-two new volumes have been added to the Library by purchase, and six volumes have been given, viz.: 3 by Mr. Eugene Tappan; 1 by Mrs. R. B. Miles; 1 by Miss Carrie Upham, and one by Mrs. Dr. Swan.

A new supplement of eight pages has been printed, which includes all the books to the present time.

Through the courtesy of the Woman's Educational Association, 25 volumes of their travelling library have been loaned to us for six months, or until May 1st.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. SARAH D. MUNROE,	}	Trustees of Library.
MRS. H. R. SPAULDING,		
W. C. TEMPLE,		

Water Department.

The following is a statement of expenditures on account of the construction, to February 15, 1898.

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

		DR.
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" 23.	R. C. Prescott,	17.10
" 23.	Horace Smith,	14.76
" 23.	C. R. Bartlett,	60.80
" 15.	By Balance on hand and transferred to general fund,	34.45
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		\$825.56

W. T. BROWN, Secretary.

REPORT

OF

Superintendent of Water Works.

There has been an extension of the water system, by the laying of 588 feet of two-inch pipe at Pound Hill, and 312 feet on Paxton Road, together with about 600 feet of one-inch and three-fourths inch pipe, at a cost of \$346.32, securing eleven additional water takers, the past year.

The working of the entire system has been very satisfactory. There has been no break in the main pipe or in the service or supply pipes; no inconvenience or trouble from freezing, and the expense of maintaining and running the pumping plant has not exceeded the most sanguine expectation. The whole system has proved to be thoroughly constructed. An analysis of the water is made every month by the State Board of Health, which shows it to be uniformly pure in quality. From this fact (the purity of the water), it has become necessary to use a compound to counteract the effect of the water upon the tubes of the boiler, which has caused pitting to some extent. The amount of water pumped during the year is five million, seven hundred and seventy-five thousand, eight hundred and twenty-five gal. (5,775,825). The tank, holding 221,000 gallons, was filled in 9 hours from the time of starting the fire under the boiler, the pump working with the greatest ease.

There has been no scarcity of water at any time during the year, and the patrons have been cut off only three times; twice for a few hours to make connections with the Main at Pound Hill, and on Paxton Road, and once to cleanse out the stand pipe.

I would recommend the extension of the water system wherever an income of four per cent on the outlay can be at once realized, as the tendency is always to increase rather than to diminish, the number of water takers and the amount of water used.

AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES AND TOOLS ON HAND.

SUPPLIES.

140 feet 2-inch gal. iron pipe.	7 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch brass unions.
270 " $\frac{3}{4}$ " " " "	1 dozen clasps.
28 " $\frac{3}{4}$ lead pipe.	1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch Y.
8 " 1 " " "	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch Ells.
2 1-inch soldered lead connections.	4 reducers varying from $\frac{3}{4}$ to $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch.
1 Faucet.	1 service box.
1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch corporation cock.	4 lbs. solder.
6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch sidewalk cocks.	200 feet measuring line.
$\frac{3}{4}$ -inch stop and waste cocks,	Approximate value, \$95.00.

TOOLS FOR TRENCHING.

3 picks,	\$3.00	3 drills,	\$1.75
3 hammers,	2.50	4 lanterns,	2.00
1 spade,	.75	1 broom,	.50
1 grub axe,	1.00		
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			\$11.50

TOOLS FOR PIPING.

1 2 inch die plate,	\$6.00	1 B. Miller patent die ratchet plate, with 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ dies,	\$4.12
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ inch drills,	1.80	1 Miller's ratchet pipe cutter,	3.40
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ " taps,	2.50	1 Stillson wrench, 14 in.,	1.20
1 W. I. wrench for sidewalk shut-off,	1.83	1 " " 18 "	1.60
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch taps,	2.26	1 " " 24 "	2.40
1 1 inch tap,	.94	2 pairs Brown's tongs,	1.20
1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch die plate for $\frac{3}{4}$ inch and $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch,	4.00	1 Coes' Block wrench, 15 inch,	1.00
1 2 inch drill for ratchet,	.90	1 wall vice,	8.10
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch drill,	1.20		

1 1 inch drill,	.53	1 Mall hinge vice,	3.00
2 1¼ inch reamer,	2.26	2 Packer's sleeve rat-	
1 1 inch reamer,	.94	chets,	4.05
1 ¾ inch reamer,	.63	1 iron crow,	9.60
1 2 inch Stanwood cutter,	.98	1 2 inch Walworth cutter,	1.46
1 expander,	5.00		
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			\$72.90

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

DR.

Received from State Hospital, water rent to Jan. 1, '98,	\$1000.00
" and due from patrons for the year ending	
January 1, 1898,	248.14
Town appropriation, on account of hydrants,	300.00
Received from Mathew & Whiting, engineers' labor,	79.86
" and due from other sources, " "	40.00
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	\$1668.00

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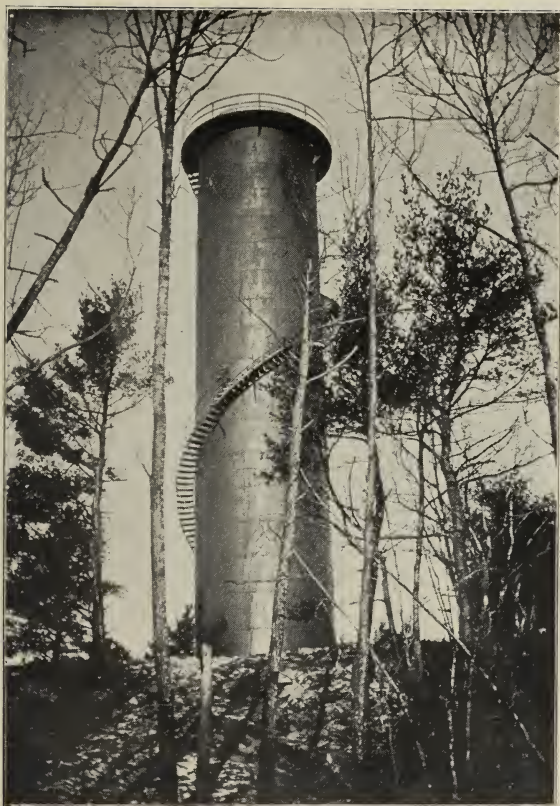
Paid J. Albert Walker & Co., 33 tons coal,	\$99.88
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on coal.	32.65
For drawing coal from station,	18.90
For work,	6.74
Knowles Steam Pump Works, repairs on boiler	
tubes,	26.19
E. E. Lawrence, services as engineer,	320.40
Interest on water loan,	918.13
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	\$1422.89

Leaving a balance in favor of the water department of \$245.11.

There has been one note of \$500 paid on water loan, leaving the balance of water loan, \$24,500.00. There is due the Walworth Manufacturing Co., for service pipe and fittings, \$164.30, and there is due for service piping, etc., \$247.44.

C. R. BARTLETT, Superintendent.

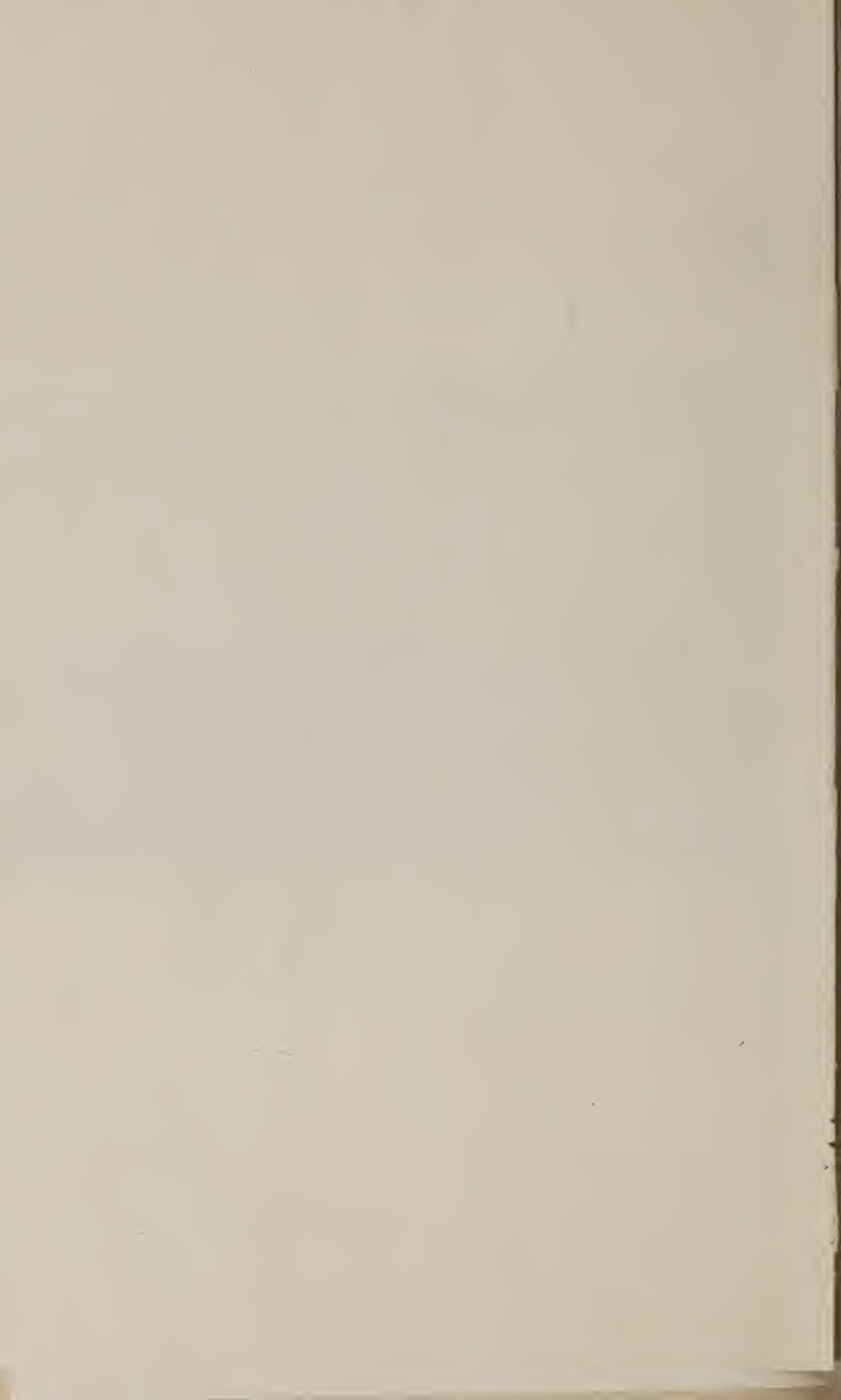
Rutland, February 15, 1898.



STAND PIPE.



PUMPING STATION.



Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

Town of Rutland,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY, 1898.

REPORT

OF THE

School Committee of the Town of Rutland

For the Year Ending February, 1898.

Fellow Citizens:

We herewith submit our report of the Public Schools:

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Population of the Town, U. S. Census, 1895,	978
Number of persons in Town between five and fifteen years of age, May 1st, 1897,	195
Number between eight and fourteen,	116
Whole number of pupils registered in the schools,	232
Average membership,	194
Average attendance,	174
Per cent. of average attendance,	.90

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Unexpended balance of 1896,	\$64.14
Appropriations of 1897,	
For support of schools,	1800.00
For conveyance of pupils,	700.00
State school fund,	345.03
From dog fund,	130.33
Due from state for tuition of boys,	131.50
Received of S. P. Allen,	8.00
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	\$3,179.00

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' salaries,	\$2098.00
Books and supplies,	281.24

Janitors,	71.90	
Fuel,	101.81	
Conveyance of pupils,	639.75	
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	\$3192.70	
Over drawn,	13.70	
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		\$3179.00

CONTINGENT.

Repairs and furnishings,	\$186.27
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BILLS APPROVED.**TEACHERS' SALARIES.**

W. G. Chaffee,	\$165.00	
John Buttles,	330.00	
A. A. Heald,	308.00	
Ethel S. Pearson,	300.00	
Susan L. White,	90.00	
Helen H. Jaques,	180.00	
Mabel E. Paul,	85.00	
E. M. Planche,	160.00	
Mary S. Delano,	90.00	
Maud K. C. Lucas,	160.00	
Cora O. Dudley,	21.00	
Mary S. Kennan,	49.00	
Alice M. Perry,	88.00	
Lillian Harrington,	72.00	
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Total,		\$2098.00

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Edw. E. Babb & Co.,	\$264.64	
W. G. Chaffee,	3.45	
W. A. Hunter,	9.50	
F. Hathaway,	3.15	
Maud K. C. Lucas,	.50	
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Total,		\$281.24

JANITORS.

H. Jones Davis, for last year,	\$7.50	
H. Jones Davis,	13.85	
Abbie R. Prescott,	4.00	
Clarence E. Prescott,	18.45	
Clayton Whitmore,	3.00	
John McGann,	2.50	
I. Edga Fay,	8.95	
Mrs. James Scott,	4.25	
Arthur J. Leary,	2.75	
J. P. Nourse,	4.40	
Mattie Jewell,	2.25	
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Total,		\$71.90

FUEL.

L. H. Stearnes,	\$7.38	
F. D. Forbush,	14.00	
Joseph Davis,	20.73	
Lebulon Strong,	10.40	
John O'Leary,	10.00	
C. H. Upham,	24.00	
Clarence Prescott,	8.30	
F. S. Hunt,	7.00	
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Total,		\$101.81

CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS.

M. M. Smith,	\$210.00	
A. O. Chickering,	39.00	
W. F. Reid,	120.00	
Stephen P. Allen,	120.00	
William Scott,	5.00	
Joseph Shaw,	15.00	
Alexander Lovely,	13.75	
Charles R. Bartlett,	5.50	
E. H. Crosby,	44.00	
M. D. Potter,	36.00	
Dellan Letendre,	31.50	
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Total,		\$639.75

REPAIRS AND FURNISHINGS.

H. Jones Davis,	\$3.17	
W. A. Hunter,	8.00	
John Gates & Son,	26.34	
E. G. Higgins,	6.68	
F. Hathaway,	53.39	
L. M. Hanff,	17.45	
Geo. W. Hudson,	14.40	
Charles Pierce,	2.00	
W. B. Ware,	20.31	
Prouty Brothers,	17.10	
W. E. Austin,	5.10	
J. M. Kennedy & Co.,	7.13	
Joseph Davis,	2.65	
Henry Converse,	2.30	
F. B. Stearns,	.25	
Total,		\$186.27

Statistics for the Full Year.

TEACHERS	SCHOOL	ENROLL- MENT.	AVERAGE MEMBERSHIP	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	AVERAGE WAGES PER MONTH	No. of Pupils over 15 yrs of age	No. of Pupils under 5 years	No. of Pupils be- tween 5 and 14
Susan L. White	Center Primary	54	44½	40	\$36.00	0	0	26
Helen H. Jaques	Center Intermed.	50	37½	35½	\$40.00	2	0	48
Ethel S. Pearson	West Rutland	38	34	32	\$32.53	0	0	27
Mabelle E. Paul	North Rutland	34	22.7-10	20	\$33½	1	0	19
Mary S. Delano	South	26	22½	20.4-5	30½	1	1	19
Maud K. C. Lucas								
Cora Dudley								
Mary L. Kannan								
Alice M. Perry								
Lillian Harrington								
W. G. Chaffee } Principals	High	30	29½	25	\$60.00	10	0	10
John Buttles }	School				\$37.⅔			
Arthur A. Heald, Assistant								

GRADED SCHOOLS AND NEW SCHOOL BUILDING.

One step was taken in this direction at the commencement of the year by having the Pound Hill School, (which was composed of the old districts, Nos. 2, 3 and 4) consolidate with the center school. This arrangement was made owing to the fact that we should have been obliged to have had another school-room whether we consolidated or not, as the old room in the center would not accomodate all the pupils belonging to the center, making it necessary for us to secure another room and hire another teacher. After considering the matter carefully, we voted to consolidate the two schools and divide them into two grades, primary and intermediate, provided we could get a suitable room. We applied to the selectmen for permission to take the lower town hall and fit it up for a school-room; the selectmen granted us the permission asked for; therefore we went ahead on this line, saving the salary of an extra teacher and other expenses amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars. The expenses of fitting up the room and extra for transportation of pupils and teachers' salary amounted to two hundred and three dollars, leaving a balance in our favor of forty-seven dollars, and at the same time getting better results for the money expended. This experiment on our part has been a success, and we doubt if anyone that is interested in this school would care to be set back where they were two years ago.

This experience of the past year proves conclusively to our minds that we should do whatever we can to make it possible to have full graded schools; and the only way to secure them is for the Town to build a new school building large enough to accomodate all the scholars in the Town, planned in such a way that an addition could be put on without injury to its exterior appearance, whenever more room is needed. We are not prepared in this report to give in detail what this building should be or the expense of same, but suffice it to say

that we cannot be extravagant in building, but can have a good well-built, substantial house furnished and equipped as it should be in accordance with a detailed plan and specifications such as the Town may vote.

We hope to see a move in this direction at your next annual Town meeting.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

Truant Officers were appointed, but as they have not been called upon to act in their official capacity and have not found it necessary so to act, no report is needed from them at this time.

MEMORIAL DAY.

This day was observed as the law directs.

The interest manifested by all the schools in the observance of this day argues well for our country so far as this Town is concerned. The exercises of the children, appropriate to the observance of the day, were most enjoyable to us all.

CONDITION OF THE SCHOOLS.

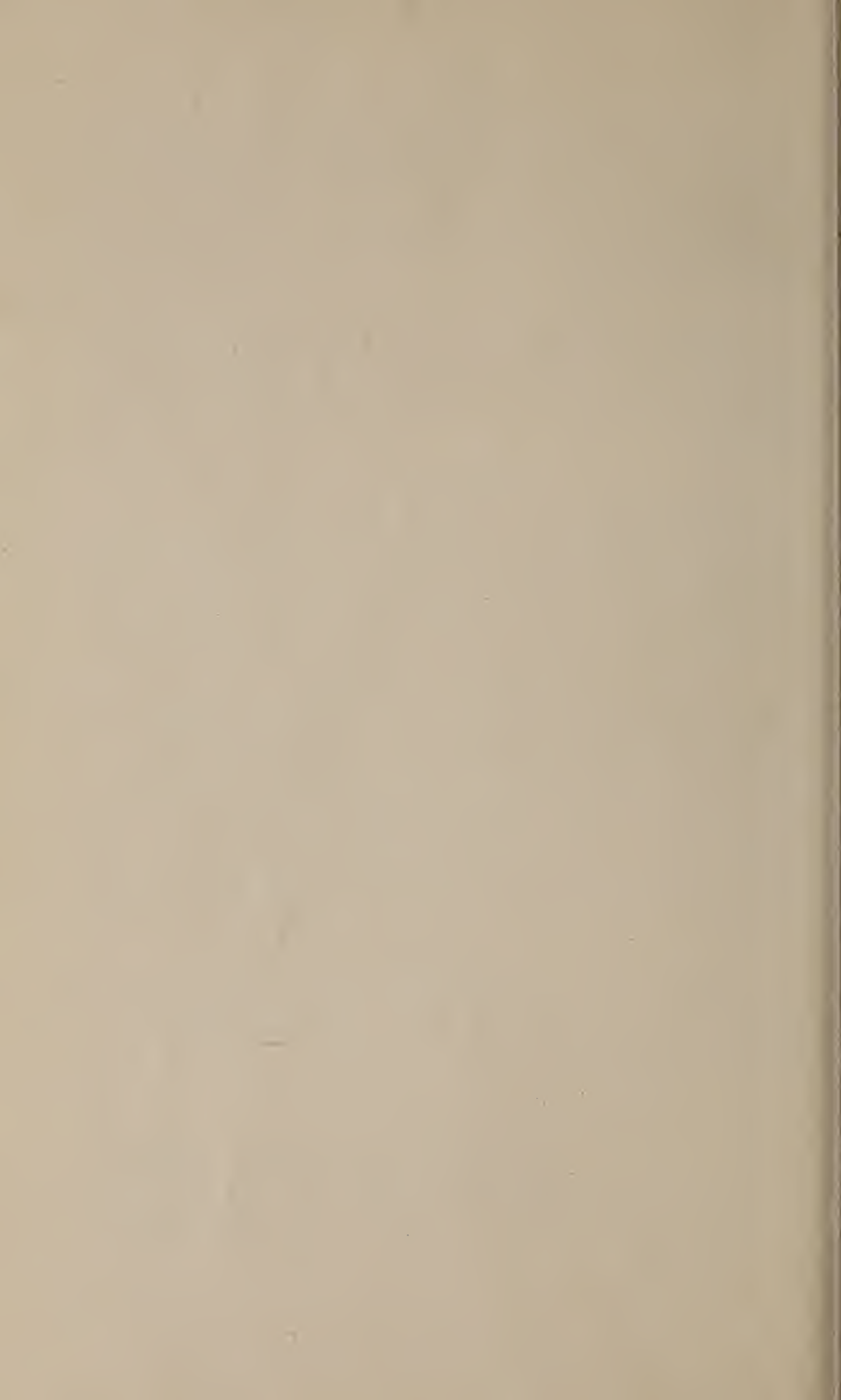
Under the circumstances in which we are placed, we think the schools are as prosperous as we can reasonably expect, but hope their condition may be improved in the future, and the desired improvement will be possible if we all take hold in earnest, realizing that it is our bounden duty, to do all that we can to improve the condition of our schools, thus giving to our children a good education which is the best legacy that we can possibly bestow upon them.

IN CONCLUSION.

We are under obligations to our teachers for their faithfulness the past year, also we are grateful for the co-operation and support of the general public.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. HUNTER,	}	School
F. HATHAWAY,		
SIDNEY CRAWFORD,		Committee.





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TOWN OFFICERS.

MODERATOR.

Charles R. Bartlett.

TOWN CLERK.

Louis M. Hanff.

SELECTMEN.

C. R. Bartlett,

F. G. Bartlett,

W. T. Brown.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Henry A. Kennen, George W. Cowden, Henry Converse.

ASSESSORS.

W. C. Temple.

Geo. S. Putnam,

E. H. Crosby.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Walter A. Hunter, Sidney Crawford, Franklin Hathaway.

SEXTON.

Roland C. Prescott.

LIBRARIAN.

Mrs. E. J. Prouty.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

Louis M. Hanff.

ROAD COMMISSIONER.

F. G. Bartlett.

CONSTABLES.

J. Warren Moulton,

M. D. Potter,

L. M. Hanff,

J. H. Griffin,

G. S. Putnam.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

Wm. C. Temple, Mrs. Geo. B. Munroe, Mrs. L. Q. Spaulding.

MEASURERS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER.

L. M. Hanff,

Jos. O'Herron,

M. R. Moulton,

Jos. E. Ware,

W. B. Ware.

FENCE VIEWERS.

L. M. Hanff.

Daniel Demond,

A. B. Fisher.

POUND KEEPER.

C. R. Bartlett.

AUDITOR.

E. W. Ward.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

L. M. Hanff.

WILLIAM B. BROWN
JAMES D. BROWN
JAMES D. BROWN

FIELD DRIVERS.

Willie Demond,

Geo. H. Miles,

P. Delehanty.

TOWN WARRANT.

WORCESTER, SS.

TO J. WARREN MOULTON, CONSTABLE
OF THE TOWN OF RUTLAND, IN THE
COUNTY OF WORCESTER:

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Rutland, on Monday, the sixth day of March, inst., at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1.—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2.—To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.

ART. 3.—To bring in and deposit their ballots, for a Town Clerk for one year, for three Selectmen for one year, for three Assessors for one year, three Overseers of Poor for one year, a Town Treasurer for one year, a Collector of Taxes for one year, five Constables for one year, an Auditor for one year, one member of the School Committee for three years, one member of the Water Commissioners for three years, and one member of the Free Public Library for three years, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question, "shall license be

granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?" All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (x) after his name. The Polls will be opened at 10 o'clock a. m., and may be closed at 2 o'clock p. m.

- ART. 4.—To choose all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.
- ART. 5.—To see what interest shall be paid on Taxes not paid in a specified time.
- ART. 6.—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer of the Town to borrow money for the use of the Town, under the approval of the Selectmen.
- ART. 7.—To see if the Treasurer of the Town shall be Collector of Taxes, and determine the compensation for the same.
- ART. 8.—To see what sums of money the Town shall raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools; for repairs of Highways and Bridges; for the support of the Poor; for State and Military Aid; for use on Memorial Day; for transportation to and from the Public Schools; for furnishings for the Public Building, and for contingent expenses and paying debts.
- ART. 9.—To see what action the Town will take to have the Town House and Hose House taken care of.
- ART. 10.—To see if the Town will accept of the list of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.
- ART. 11.—To see if the Town will vote to enforce the Sunday Law against hunting and fishing, or act anything thereon.
- ART. 12.—To see if the Town will vote to sell any of the old Schoolhouses, or act anything thereon.

ART. 13.—To see if the Town will vote to abate any taxes in the hands of the Collector.

ART. 14.—To see if the Town will vote to extend its Water System, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 15.—To see if the Town will vote to purchase an additional amount of Hose for the use of the Fire Brigade, or act thereon.

ART. 16.—To see if the Town will vote to build a new road from Wm. J. Hunt's to the road leading from Miles Holden's to New Boston, as laid out by the Selectmen, or act thereon.

ART. 17.—To see if the Town will vote to make any disposition of the Meade Fund, or act anything thereon.

ART. 18.—To see if the Town will grant exemption from taxes, for a term of years, on any improvements, or act anything thereon.

ART. 19.—To see if the Town will vote to place a Watering Tub at Pond Hill, or act anything thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, agreeable to vote of said Town, one at each Post Office, and one at the Congregational church, in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Twenty-second day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

C. R. BARTLETT,	} Selectmen
F. G. BARTLETT,	
WM. T. BROWN,	
	} of
	} Rutland.

Report of Overseers

of the Town of Rutland, for the Year Ending February 1st, 1899, is Respectfully Submitted.

We have paid the Holden Association, \$315.20, at a cost of \$2.00 per week of each inmate.

EXPENSE OUTSIDE.

Paid Dr. Wm. E. Chamberlin, for Frank Strong	\$ 30 50
City of Worcester, Hospital Bill, Ed. M. Rice	4 00
Thayer & Cobb, for Townsend Children	10 00
Samuel Sherman, for Henry C. Clark	17 00
“ “ “ “ “	35 00
Dr. R. B. Willson, for Addy Handy	30 40
Dr. L. E. Done, for Mrs. Dolf Clark	5 00
Mrs. Chas. White, for Hannah Martin	26 00
Town Dana “ “ “	27 75
Town of Berlin, for Samuel Stratton	87 94
Henry Converse, for Goodwin Children	20 00
“ “ “ Abbie Prescott	4 32
Dr. W. E. Chamberlin, for Charles Goodwin	19 00

\$632 11.

Received from Town of Gardner, for Chas.

Goodwin

19 00

Due from City of Lowell, for Goodwin family

20 00

34 00

Net expense for supporting the poor for the past year, \$593 11

H. A. KENNEN,
HENRY CONVERSE, } Overseers.

Ninth Annual Report

of the Holden Poor Farm Association, for the Year Ending January 31st, 1899.

Inmates receiving support:

HOLDEN.

Name.	Age.	Admitted.	No. Days.
Lizzie Kenney	42	April 1, '90, continues,	365
N. S. Newton	68	Dec. 24, '91, "	365
Winfred Duedeem	49	June 22, '97, "	365
Charles Prue	75	May 17, '98, "	260
Newton Marshall	58	Jan. 15, '98, "	17
Mary Maynard	34	Dec. 16, '97, left Feb. 11,	11
Martha Parker	60	April 1, '90, removed to Tewks- bury, Nov. 1,	273
George Hall	51	March 31, '97, removed to Tewks- bury, Nov. 1,	273
			1929

HUBBARDSTON.

Name.	Age.	Admitted.	No. Days.
David Rice	80	April 1, '90, continues,	365
Nancy Boynton	61	" removed to Tewks- bury, Jan. 9,	343

Albert Wheeler	67	March 20, '96,	died Nov. 7,	277
John Wilson	63	Sept. 22, '96,	left May 19,	108
Henry Clark	20	May 18, '97,	Jan. 5, away 34 days,	305
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				1398

OAKHAM.

Name.	Age.	Admitted.		No. Days.
Eunice Walker	73	April 1, '92,	continues,	365
Lavina B. Field	74	Oct. 31, '94,	"	365
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				730

PAXTON.

Name.	Age.	Admitted.	No. Days.
Carrie Snow	44	April 10, '96, continues,	365

PHILLIPSTON.

Name.	Age.	Admitted.	No. Days.
Elijah C. Foster	81	April 30, '96,	removed to Tewks- bury, Oct. 20, 242
Charles Dunton	80	“ “	removed to Tewks- bury, Oct. 20, 242
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			484

RUTLAND.

Name.	Age.	Admitted.	No. Days.
Elizabeth Demond	79	May 6, '95 continues,	365
Rosa Roen	61	April 26, '97, "	365
John Kelly	38	Nov. 15, '98, "	78
John Q. Adams	49	Jan. 6, '98, left March 24,	52
Geo. W. Hodgkins	68	June 14, '97, died Oct. 1,	243
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WESTMINSTER.

Name.	Age.	Admitted.	No. Days.
Adeline Eager	58	April 1, '92, continues,	365
Margaret Cronin	53	" " "	365
Sarah Blake	60	May 23, '98, "	253
John Brady	75	Dec. 1, '98, left Dec. 15,	15
			<hr/> 998

Total number inmates, 27; died, 2; removed to Tewksbury, 5; discharged, 5; remaining, 15. Total days board furnished, 700,700, 1001 weeks. Average weekly number, 19 1-5.

Miss Lois Brown continues to act as nurse for her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Demond of Rutland.

Nahum S. Newton, a soldier and pensioner of the war of the rebellion, continues to make his home in this institution, Holden receiving compensation for his support.

By the provisions of Section 3, Chapter 425, Acts of 1898, the support of seven of our wards were transferred to the State. Five of them, as above stated, have been removed to the State Alms House at Tewksbury, the others, Eunice Walker and Lavina B. Field of Oakham, remain with us, by the preference of friends who have paid their board since November 18th.

The receipts and expenditures are as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Milk	\$1248 14
Calves	23 75
Stock	145 00
Pork	34 29
Eggs	43 95
Work off farm	22 89
Board and Sundries	34 36
<hr/> \$1552 38	

EXPENDITURES.

Warden and Matron's salary	\$ 595 86	
Inside labor	156 62	
Outside labor	102 24	
Grain	612 04	
Groceries	394 51	
Meat	188 72	
Flour	86 40	
Bread and Pastry	71 56	
Fish	54 07	
Dry Goods	73 42	
Stock	298 00	
Tools and Seeds	85 51	
Boots and Shoes	32 45	
Med. Attendance and Medicine	65 98	
Hardware	20 02	
Furniture	14 35	
Blacksmithing	26 02	
Ice	16 66	
Tobacco and Snuff	16 53	
Fertilizer	51 00	
Miscellaneous	106 81	
Rent	325 00	
Interest	120 99	
Wood	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$3554 76
Deducting receipts		1552 38
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Balance, net expense		\$2002 38

Cost per week for each inmate, \$2.00.

The net expense to each town is as follows:

Holden	\$551 24
Hubbardston	399 50
Oakham	208 64

Paxton	104 32
Phillipston	138 30
Rutland	315 20
Westminster	285 18

The following table gives annual condition since the Association was organized:

	No. Inmates.	Weekly Average.	Total No. Weeks.	Cost Per Week.
1st Year	12	7 7-26	377 5-7	\$2,875
2d "	16	11 7-26	586	2,243
3d "	26	21 25-26	1142	1,959
*4th "	30	22 37-306	967	2,232
5th "	30	18.89	982 2-7	2,545
6th "	36	18 12-13	984	2,300
7th "	30	19 11-13	1032	2,138
8th "	30	19 2-3	1022 6-7	1,829
9th "	27	19 1-5	1001	2,000

The inmates have generally enjoyed good health during the past year, only two being removed by death. The reduction of the number of inmates, caused by the new law above referred to, may make it desirable to add other towns to the Association, as the cost per capita is reduced by keeping the number up to the maximum which can be properly cared for.

The income is the largest since our organization, \$84.80 each, from a herd of fifteen cows, besides home consumption, is certainly a creditable record.

Those interested in the well-being of the inmates and the success of the institution, will be pleased to learn that the present Warden and Matron, have been secured for another year.

The above report is respectfully submitted by

HOBART RAYMOND, Westminster, President,
JESSE ALLEN, Oakham, Secretary,
F. T. HOLT, Holden, Treasurer,
JOHN ADAMS, Hubbardston,
H. H. PIKE, Paxton,
D. WEBSTER BAKER, Phillipston,
H. A. KENNEN, Rutland,

Board of Management.

*Ten months.

Selectmen's Report

of the Financial Condition for the Year Ending February 15th, 1899.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer, during the past year, 405 orders, amounting to \$9809.34, as follows:

The appropriations of the Town are as follows:

State Tax	\$ 315 00
County Tax	668 00
Town Grant	8,875 00
Overlayings	188 55
	<hr/> \$10,046 55

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

State Treasurer, water loan	\$24,000 00
“ “ 7 notes	7,000 00
People's Savings Bank	12,800 00
E. H. Day & Co., water loan	2,000 00
“ “ building fund loan	15,000 00
Due Trustees, Meade fund	540 00
Due building fund	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$62,340 00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from Trustees of Meade fund	\$ 1,200 00
“ John E. O’Leary	400 00
“ Walsh fund	110 32
“ Sinking fund	2,703 52
“ L. M. Hanff, treasurer and collector of taxes	9,327 04
“ State for water rent	500 00
“ State for state aid	332 00
“ Unpaid service connections	151 46
“ “ water rents	189 92
Value of water system	27,000 00
	<hr/> \$46,414 26
Showing a balance against the Town of	<hr/> \$20,425 74

Compensation of Town Officers.

TOWN CLERK

Louis M. Hanff, \$38 91

SELECTMEN

C. R. Bartlett, \$36 00

F. G. Bartlett, 30 00

W. T. Brown,

\$66 00

ASSESSORS

Wm. C. Temple, \$45 00

Geo. S. Putnam, 41 25

E. H. Crosby, 40 00

F. L. Cheever, (1897), 1 75

\$128 00

OVERSEERS OF POOR

H. A. Kennan,	\$55 00
Henry Converse,	10 00
Geo. W. Cowden,	
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	\$65 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

W. A. Hunter,	\$15 00
Franklin Hathaway, (1897,)	58 00
Sidney Crawford,	41 25
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	\$114 25

WATER COMMISSIONERS

C. R. Bartlett,	\$10 00
W. T. Brown,	
W. A. Wheeler,	
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	\$10 00

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER

Louis M. Hanff,	\$150 00
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LIBRARIANS

Mrs. F. R. Foster,	\$43 00
Mrs. E. J. Prouty,	14 70
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	\$57 70

AUDITOR

E. W. Ward,	10 00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS

C. R. Bartlett,	\$30 00
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CONSTABLE

J. W. Moulton,	\$14 50
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SEXTONS

R. C. Prescott,	37 75
E. Wellington,	3 50
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	\$41 25

REGISTRARS

Louis M. Hanff,	\$3 00
C. R. Bartlett,	8 00
F. G. Bartlett,	8 00
W. T. Brown,	
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	\$24 00

BALLOT CLERKS

Dennis A. Smith,	\$4 00
J. W. Moulton,	2 00
Wm. A. Russell,	2 00
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	\$8 00

SNOW.

M. M. Smith	\$ 1 50
Andrew S. Charter	10 52
James Scott	2 50
Peter Largess	3 50
Naniel Nyhin	1 50
John J. Welsh	5 83
Dennis A. Smith	20 25
James Waterworth	3 83
T. L. Campbell	8 66
W. H. Hammond	30 91
Geo. H. Miles	13 95.
C. E. Parker	6 92
Frank Forward	3 07
William Parker	2 43
Hugh Hammond	17 50
Geo. M. Taylor	4 33
Wm. J. Welsh	9 66
John E. O'Leary	27 50
Deller Laton	11 50
G. White	9 83

B. F. Strong	12 50
Joseph Davis	8 06
F. G. Bartlett	2 49
Wm. D. Hatch	1 33
Louis F. Forbush	4 66
L. H. Stearns	63 63
H. A. Kennan	4 16
W. H. Prescott	24 20
N. I. Sargent	14 17
Wm. W. Prescott	9 42
J. P. Henderson	8 84
J. H. Waites	8 83
Geo H. Rice	14 67
Geo. Desroche, jr,	1 95
Charles Charter	2 52
Wm. J. Welsh	7 50
James P. Ryan	7 50
John J. Welsh	11 38
Anthony Czezuske	5 01
Wm. Charter	2 04
Walter White	2 87
W. Calkins	11 82
Geo White	9 66
Fred W. White	9 16
A. R. Miller	2 17
C. A. Goodwin	13 58
H. A. Kennan	12 61
A. S. Hathaway	2 33
Wm. Soney	2 00
B. F. Nichols	2 67
Horace W. Davis	2 75
C. E. Moorhouse	2 08
Daniel McCarthy	15 82
Geo. M. Taylor	4 33
C. A. Spooner	5 25
Geo. A. Graton	4 66
John Thresher	3 00

Lewis Baker	6 50
F. W. Hatstat	3 17
J. Burditt	4 33
Geo. F. Goldthwaite	38 65
C. H. Morse	3 75
Ernest Graton	1 83
W. T. Brown	9 38
Geo. E. Thresher	33
Geo. H. Rice	24 50
J. P. Grout	4 07
W. R. Upham	1 66
W. J. Hunt	9 00
Dennis A. Smith	3 92
John R. Metcalf	.1 00
C. H. Morse	1 25
Geo. H. Miles	5 23
M. R. Sargent	2 79
James Branerd	2 40
Mark Putnam	2 50
Geo. A. Hatstat	15 10
Lakeville Woolen Co.	20 00
Dennis O'Herron	24 66
Geo. W. Cowden	7 01
B. W. Potter	17 56
Frank Forward	6 91
Geo. W. Greene	6 74
C. E. Parker	8 08
Geo. Newman	16 12
William Parker	7 75
C. H. Morse	21 58
Warren Handy	4 80
A. F. Brown	8 67
W. A. Hunter	7 26
Gus Hedstrom	4 16
Clarence Hammond	4 00
George Hammond	4 00
W. M. Demond	14 83

W. H. Hammond	17 00
C. J. Campbell	12 66
W. A. Russell	9 16
F. A. Bliss	6 42
W. A. Russell	5 17
Michael Gleason	2 33
Charles Parker	2 75
W. W. Wilson	4 00
Arthur Coddington	4 66
Frank Forward	1 42
Patrick Delehanty	15 00
C. A. Spooner	4 16
Michael O'Leary	25 16
Roy Putnam	2 67
Wm. J. D. Ewart	68
E. Mellen	17 62
James Mellen	7 66
G. V. Davis	45
F. H. Mellen	8 91
Robert Pleotz	3 94
J. A. Strong	4 16
Wm. H. Hammond	5 00
H. A. Smith	3 99
T. H. Connor	3 00
C. J. Campbell	18 83
C. A. Goodwin	5 67
E. M. Davis	4 21
C. R. Bartlett	8 00
H. E. Wheeler	2 99
George M. Bigelow	90
James Scott	1 16
H. D. Bray	10 00
W. C. Temple	4 83
Henry B. Davis	2 67
J. White	2 00
E. Wellington	9 31
C. L. Moore	1 16

Hugh Hammond	8 99
William Parker	3 17
W. T. Brown	12 61
Herbert Hapgood	1 75
George H. Miles	11 45
Arthur Goodwin	25
F. A. Aldrich	7 01
E. H. Crosby	14 65
Joseph Bigelow	2 33
W. W. Wilson	2 50
Dennis A. Smith	8 88
George A. Graton	3 50
John F. Graton	2 33
B. F. Nichols	4 17
W. F. Reid	3 58
M. Loughman	4 17
F. G. Bartlett	3 50
C. R. Bartlett	3 00

\$1189 64

WATER DEPARTMENT.

Boston & Maine R. R., freight on coal,	\$15 05
J. Albert Walker & Co., coal,	43 52
Walworth Manufacturing Co., pipe and fittings,	179 53
Washburn & Garfield, pipe fittings,	1 65
E. E. Lawrence, services as engineer,	170 40
American Express Co.,	25
Dearborn Chemical Works,	26 72
C. R. Bartlett, drawing coal,	6 85
J. W. Greene, soldering pipe connections,	1 55
Michael Loughman, 2 wrenches and repairs,	6 24
Valworth Manufacturing Co., fittings,	8 49
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on coal,	19 60

J. Albert Walker, coal,	49 00
E. E. Lawrence, drawing coal,	9 75
“ “ “ wood,	4 00
“ “ “ pipe,	2 00
George W. Cowden, dynamite and caps,	2 00
R. C. Prescott, trenching,	6 00
Clifford J. Davis, trenching,	4 40
B. W. Potter, wood,	4 75
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	1 56
C. H. Upham, wood,	4 25
Joseph E. Ware, wood,	1 50
George F. Dixon, oil,	1 50
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	54
Braman & Dow, fittings,	27
E. E. Lawrence, piping and trenching,	15 00
Thomas Connor, trenching,	6 00
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	\$592 38

INCIDENTALS.

M. M. Smith, gravel,	75
Putnam, Davis & Co., cash book,	1 55
W. E. Chamberlin, M. D., reporting births,	8 50
Patrick Delehanty, damages to land,	15 00
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	2 41
Worcester Printing Co., printing town reports,	40 30
Ames Plow Co., plow,	10 37
George Tyler & Co., shovels, hoes, etc.,	18 25
E. H. Tripp, printing reports, etc.,	30 70
Joseph Strong, powder and fuse,	1 15
Michael Loughman, sharpening tools, etc.,	4 05
W. J. Hunt, rehanging doors of hose house,	2 50

George F. Hillman, court charges,	11 00
M. D. Potter, work of highway,	4 80
D. F. Smith, Quartermaster Post 136, for Memorial Day,	25 00
H. O. Palmer, M. D., reporting births,	50
Ross Brothers, repairs on plow,	1 35
Sanford, Sawtelle Co., assessors' blanks,	2 00
C. F. Lawrence, printing,	13 50
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	2 85
F. W. Emery, binding records,	75 00
L. M. Hanff, services and expense on old records,	11 10
A. B. Pratt, for horse shed,	8 00
Putnam, Davis & Co., tax book,	1 00
A. O. Chickering, repairing highway,	5 15
F. C. and Mary N. Bigelow, damages sustained on highway,	75 00
Frost Stamp and Stationary Co.,	40
E. H. Tripp, printing,	2 75
George Armitage, gravel,	21 95
A. H. Bartlett, printing,	1 25
George Tyler & Co., plow, scraper edges and repairs,	31 15
M. M. Smith, gravel,	4 75
Sanford Sawtelle Co., record book,	1 75
H. M. Waite, tools for highway,	3 95
Anasa Jordan, for horse shed,	12 00
L. A. Taylor, water pipe,	28 33
Joseph Davis, for horse shed,	8 00
E. H. Tripp, printing,	5 00
J. W. Adams, express,	50
W. H. Maynard, trenching,	1 35
C. W. Stickney, reporting birth,	25
New England Telephone Co.,	90
C. R. Bartlett, 4 trips to Boston contracting water extension and attending hearings,	20 00
L. M. Hanff, copying old records,	15 00
J. F. Lee, rent of barn for housing hose apparatus (1897),	12 00

C. E. Parker, M. D., reporting birth,	25
L. M. Harff, administering oaths to town officers,	3 50
“ “ negotiating loans, postage, etc.,	16 95
L. Q. Spaulding, care of town clock 7 years,	140 00
“ “ gravel,	9 25
“ “ labor on highway,	3 20
Henry Converse, for horse shed,	20 00
“ “ hoes for highway,	70
“ “ fixtures for doors for hose house,	3 37
C. R. Bartlett, perambulating town lines 2½ days with team,	8 75
“ “ collecting from lake and sending sample each month to State Board of Health,	12 00
“ “ postage,	1 40
Hobart D. Smith, dynamite and fuse,	1 51
M. R. Moulton, two horse sheds,	16 00
F. G. Bartlett, perambulating town lines,	4 00
American Express Co.,	2 80
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	\$786 74

BRIDGES.

A. F. Brown, stringers and poles,	\$9 00
H. A. Kennan, stringers and poles,	7 35
W. H. Sawyer, lumber,	44 25
Mrs. Ada M. Heald, stringers, etc ,	5 00
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	\$65 60

CUTTING BRUSH.

Mason R. Sargent,	\$4 50
H. A. Kennan,	44 00
Newton I. Sargent,	5 00
G. B. Lambdin,	3 75
Warren Handy,	9 00
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	\$66 25

RECAPITULATION.

Town officers,	\$757 61
Schools,	3358 29
Snow,	1189 64
State aid,	332 00
Overseers' orders,	632 11
Highways,	2028 72
Water department,	592 38
Incidentals,	786 74
Bridges,	65 60
Cutting brush,	66 25
	\$9809 34

LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS.

William W. Prescott,	George F. Goldthwaite,
John J. Welsh,	T. Sibley Heald,
H. Edward Wheeler,	Joseph M. Moulton,
Edward F. Preston,	Frank D. Forbush,
Lorenzo Q. Spaulding,	J. Warren Moulton,
Dennis A. Smith,	Ellenton W. Ward,
Hermon Bray,	Charles H. Upham,
Henry B. Davis,	Charles A. Spooner.

Guide Posts and Boards are Erected as Follows :

- One near S. B. Bray's.
- One near E. C. Dudley's.
- One at junction of Barre and Paxton roads.
- One at West Rutland, near Post Office.
- One near Charles Pierce's.
- Two near Patrick Delehanty's.

- One near Miles Holden's.
- One near Gen. Putnam Memorial.
- One near Muschopauge House.
- One near Center Post Office.
- One on Pound Hill.
- One near Daniel Nihin's.
- One near Walter Bartlett's.
- One near M. Myron Smith's.
- One near J. H. Waite's.
- One near W. J. D'Ewart's.
- One near Greenleaf corner.
- One near Benjamin Allen place.
- One near Addison Child's.
- One at New Boston corner.
- One near W. J. Brodmerkle's.
- One near Levi S. Stearns'.
- One near Sargent's corner.
- One near Upham's corner.
- One near D. R. Wheeler's.
- One near No. 1 School House.

The selectmen would recommend the following appropriations for the coming year :

The State and County Tax,	_____
Schools,	\$1800 00
Transportation,	700 00
Highways and Bridges,	1600 00
For Cutting Brush,	100 00
For Support of Poor,	800 00
For Contingent and Paying Debts,	3500 00

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES R. BARTLETT,	} Selectmen of Rutland.
FRANCIS G. BARTLETT,	
W. T. BROWN,	

Rutland, February 15, 1899.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

This certifies that I have examined the books, accounts, bills and vouchers of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer and of the several departments, and find them to be correct.

E. W. WARD, Auditor.

Rutland, February 15, 1899.

REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Highways.

As Superintendent of Highways of the town of Rutland, I have approved of the following orders drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts below, which have been expended in the following manner. The town being divided into two sections and worked by two Commissioners.

The west section by Henry A. Kennan as follows:

Henry A. Kennan,	\$311 90
George Rice,	286 60
George White,	153 72
James Scott,	139 05
Forest A. Kennan,	78 90
E. Benjerman,	63 97
Fred White,	31 72
Elliot Boney,	15 97
M. Casho,	6 00
George Groton,	1 50
	<hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/> \$1089 33
For cutting brush,	49 00
Repairing 3 culverts and bridges,	32 00

The east section by Arthur F. Brown as follows :

A. F. Brown,	\$ 68 05	
A. F. Brown,	244 15	
A. F. Brown,	243 95	
A. F. Brown,	109 25	
A. F. Brown,	51 00	
A. F. Brown,	254 15	
	<hr/>	\$970 55
For cutting brush,		17 25
Repairing culverts and bridges,		32 00

List of Tools Belonging to the Town.

6 Spades,	4 Shovels,
2 Iron bars,	6 Hoes,
4 Forks,	5 Picks,
3 Rakes,	2 Ploughs,
2 Stone Hammers,	1 Cleaver,
2 Stone Forks,	1 Hand Scraper,
5 Road Machines,	2 Rakes.

I would recommend a large appropriation for highways.
Also one for cutting brush.

Respectfully submitted,

F. G. BARLETT, Supt. of Roads.

Rutland, February 15, 1899.

Treasurer's Report.

LOUIS M. HANFF, Treasurer.

1898.		DR.
March	12, Balance on hand,	\$7416 45
	15, By cash from People's Savings Bank,	1300 00
	20, Town of Gardner,	19 00
April	4, People's Savings Bank,	500 00
May	5, H. E. Wheeler,	1 50
	6, People's Savings Bank,	1000 00
June	3, " " "	500 00
	6, State Treas. Support of State Paupers,	18 50
	6, State Treas. $\frac{1}{2}$ pay Cattle Inspector,	51 25
	6, State Treas. Education of State Children,	122 00
	30, People's Savings Bank,	500 00
Aug.	1, " " "	2000 00
	6, State Treas. Re-embursement Acct. Cattle Inspector,	42 00
	6, Preston Warren for grass,	5 00
	15, State Hospital, Water Rent,	500 00
	30, Town of Oakham, tuition,	57 50
	15, People's Savings Bank,	1500 00

	17,	"	"	"	1000 00
Oct.	4,	"	"	"	800 00
Dec.	3,	"	"	"	1000 00
	10,	State Treas. Corporation Tax,			14 70
	10,	"	"	Bank Tax,	1500 00
	10,	"	"	Burial Agt. Acct.,	29 50
	10,	"	"	State Aid,	348 00
	25,	Co. Treas. Dog Fund,			133 90
	25,	West Rutland Sunday School			
		for wood,			2 50
	25,	J. E. O'Leary, Int. on Note,			20 00
1899.					DR.
Jan.	14,	People's Savings Bank,			1500 00
	25,	State Treas. Income School			
		Fund,			394 43
Feb.	4,	People's Saving Bank,			860 00
	15,	Amount of 1898 Tax Bills,			10,070 48
	15,	"	"	"	
		Additional,			4 25
	15,	Received by Loan from Build-			
		ing Fund at 4 per cent,			1000 00
	15,	Service Connections,			110 51
	15,	Received for Water Rents,			146 24
	15,	"	"	Int. on Taxes,	118 77
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					\$33,041 99

In Account with the Town of Rutland.

1898,				CR.	
March	15,	Paid State Treas. Note with Interest,			\$1160 00
	15,	Order of Abatement 1896-7,			149 25
April	2,	People's Savings Bank Interest,			100 00
May	11,	"	"	"	Note and Int. 510 09
July	15,	"	"	"	Interest, 20 00
Aug.	1,	"	"	"	" 20 00
	1,	"	"	"	Note and Int. 1020 00
	1,	State Treas. Water Loan and Int.			959 38

	11,	People's Savings Bank, Note and Int.	1020 00
Sept.	15,	" " " " "	1326 00
	15,	State Treas. Interest on 7 Notes,	140 00
	17,	People's Savings Bank,	1006 67
Oct.	1,	One-half County Tax,	334 00
	2,	People's Savings Bank Interest,	100 00
	5,	" " " Note and Int.	511 00
Nov.	7,	" " " " "	1025 00
Dec.	1,	Balance of County Tax,	334 00
	5,	People's Savings Bank,	510 00
	10,	State Tax,	315 00
	30,	People's Savings Bank Note and Int.	510 00
1899.			
Jan.	15,	People's Savings Bank Note and Int.	1013 33
	31,	" " " Interest,	20 00
Feb.	1,	State Treas. Int. on Water Loan,	450 00
	1,	People's Savings Bank Interest,	40 00
	4,	" " " Note and Int.	810 67
	15,	Deposit with Worcester County Insti- tution for Savings,	500 00
	15,	Uncollected Tax bills 1896,	543 70
	15,	" " " 1897,	2344 20
	15,	" " " 1898,	6210 56
	15,	405 Selectmen's Orders,	9809 34
	15,	Cash on Hand,	288 58
			<hr/>
			\$33,041 99

Building Fund Account.

1898.		DR.
Aug.	17,	By Cash from E. H. Gay & Co. on Note, \$5000 00
Nov.	17,	" " " Notes, 15,000 00
	17,	Premium on Notes, 20 00
	17,	Accrued Interest from Nov. 1, 23 33

1899.			
Jan.	1,	Interest on Deposit,	38 69
Feb.	1,	" "	14 93

\$20,136 95

1898.			CR.
Nov.	17,	Paid E. H. Gay & Co. Note,	\$5000 00
	17,	" " Int. on Note,	37 50

1899.			
Feb.	15,	Approved Bills,	8808 79
	15,	Into Gen'l Fund Loan at 4 per cent,	1000 00
	15,	Balance on Deposit in Bank,	5290 66

\$20,136 95

Water Department Construction Fund.

1898.			DR.
Dec.	7,	By Cash from E. H. Gay & Co. on Notes,	\$2000 00
	7,	Premium,	8 00
	7,	Accrued Interest,	90

\$2008 90

1898.			CR.
Feb.	15,	Paid Approved Bills,	\$1618 94
	15,	To Balance in Bank,	389 96

\$2008 90

Trust Funds in Hands of Town Treasurer.

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND.

1898.			
Feb.	15,	Balance in Five Cent Savings Bank,	\$101 11

1898.		
Feb.	15, Dividend to Date,	4 06
		<hr/>
	15, Paid S. W. Fay labor on lot,	\$105 17
		4 00
		<hr/>
	15, Balance in Bank,	\$101 17

Helen H. Welsh Bequest.

1898.		
Feb.	15, Cash in People's Savings Bank,	\$106 04
1899.		
	15, Dividend to Date,	4 28
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	15, Cash in Bank,	\$110 32

Sinking Fund.

1898.		
Feb.	15, Cash in Five Cent Savings Bank,	\$1103 44
	15, People's Savings Bank,	1020 00
1899.		
Feb.	15, Dividend Five Cent Savings Bank,	44 13
	15, People's Savings Bank,	35 95
	15, Deposit with Worcester County Institution for Savings,	500 00
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Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF, Treasurer.

Rutland, February 15, 1899.

REPORT

OF THE

TOWN CLERK.

The following births, marriages and deaths are recorded for the year 1898:

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE OF BIRTH.
Male, Stillborn,	_____	Jan. 21
Male, Stillborn,	_____	Feb. 10
Ludovic Francis,	Louis M. and Francis I. (Put-	
nam) Hanff,		March 1
Dorice, J. Warren and Mabelle (Taylor) Moulton,		March 5
Etta Martha, George H. and Etta L. (Miles)		
Miles,		March 21
George Peoples, Thomas F. P. and Rose H. (Mc-		
Ginnity) Bates,		March 25
Merrill Hamilton, Frank D. and Jennie (Campbell)		
Forbush,		March 30
Frederic Almon, Frank A. and Mary I. (Streeter)		
Aldrich,		April 5
Marion, John J. and Margaret (Donnally) Welsh,		May 23
Male, Stillborn,	_____	June 7

Alfred Milton, George M. and Julia L. (Blanchard) Davis,	June 26
Dorothy Louise, Charles A. and Virginia (Harper) Peirce,	July 2
George Roland, Harry A. and Julia (Prescott) Mixter,	Sept. 7
Thomas, Thomas and Nancy (Gilman) Connor,	Sept. 7
Wesley Leroy, George and Bertha (Luce) Lawless,	Sept. 11
David Putnam, Arthur E. and Etta L. (Putnam) Sargent,	Oct. 9
Mark Vincent, } William and Ann (Lawless) Burke,	Oct. 17
Luke Ligouri, }	
Celia Esther Riley, Peter and Margaret (Newman) Rilep,	Nov. 13
Austin Thomas, William A. and Nettie (Cahill) Curtis,	Nov. 17
Everett Gordon, Frederick W. and Emma (Goldthwait) Hatstat,	Dec. 3
Ethel Roselle, William and Emma (Harper) Ainds Nadow,	Dec. 23

MARRIAGES.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
1898.		
April 10,	Patrick A. Scott,	Rutland
	Margaret T. Murphy,	Rutland
Aug. 4,	Arthur F. Learned,	Gardner
	Jessie F. Allen,	Rutland
Aug. 10.	John T. Saveall,	Hubbardston
	Rosie E. Chickering,	Rutland
Oct. 4,	Charles J. Harvey,	Needham
	May L. Kennen,	Rutland
Oct. 5,	Joseph E. Wave,	Rutland
	Jennie B. Kennan,	Rutland
Nov. 20,	George M. Bigelow,	Rutland
	Maud K. C. Lucas,	Bristol, N. H.

Nov. 30, Miles E. Griffin, Worcester
Hattie S. Bigelow, Worcester

DEATHS.

1898.	Name.	Age.			Disease.
		Yrs.	Mo.	Ds.	
Jan.	21. Male Stillborn	_____	_____	_____	_____
Feb.	10. Male Stillborn	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mar.	23. Calvin Lane,	80	8		La Grippe
	28. Etta L. (Miles) Miles,	34	5		Pleurisy
	29. Lawson S. Brigham,	77	5	13	Heart Disease
May	15. Charlotte E. (Willard) Muzzy,	69	4	16	Paralysis
June	7. Male Stillborn,	_____	_____	_____	_____
	14. Benjamin F. Browning,	61	11	14	Bright's Dis.
	14. Eliza J. (Little) Rogers,	78	6	13	La Grippe
June	18. Emma A. Handy,	13	11	17	Pulmonary Tuberculosis
	21. Tryphene B. (Fairbanks) Prescott,	79	9	9	Heart Disease
July	11. George C. Putnam,	67	7	2	Paralysis
	13. Cyrus H. Wesson,	77	10	27	Chronic Malarial Poisoning
Oct.	1. George W. Hodgkins,	68	2	16	Heart Disease
	14. George P. Bates,		6	20	Dysentary
Nov.	6. Wesley Leroy Lawless,		2		Acute Gastritis
	20. Freeman R. Foster;	82	7	6	Influenza and Abscess of Lung

The number of dogs licensed during the year closing February 15, 1899:

55 males at \$2.00,	\$110 00
7 females at \$5.00,	35 00
	----- \$145 00
Clerk fees,	12 40
	----- \$132 60.

On hand last year,	10 00
Paid County Treasurer,	<u>\$142 60</u>
Licensed since December 1 :	
15 males at \$2.00,	\$30 00
1 female at \$5.00,	5 00
	<u>\$35 00</u>
Less fees,	3 20
	<u>\$31 80</u>
Cash in Clerk's hands,	

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF, Town Clerk.

Rutland, February 15, 1899.

NAMES OF ROADS

**In the Town of Rutland Adopted at the Annual
Meeting March 7, 1898.**

Main Street—From Pound Hill to Putnam memorial Building.

Naquag Street—From main road to Holden line.

Memorial Street—From Memorial Building to the West
County road, via West Rutland school house.

Maple Avenue—From Main street to the Paxton line.

Pommagussett Street—From Main street to junction of East
County road, near North Rutland school house.

Wachusett Road—From Pound Hill to Princeton line, over
Muschopauge line.

Muschopauge Street—From Wachusett road around Lake
Muschopauge to Holden line.

East County Road—The Hubbardston road, from Holden
line to Hubbardston line, through North Rutland.

Overlook Street—Wachusett road to J. W. Munroe's house.

Ridge Road—Wachusett road (near Charles Bartlett farm),
on the ridge to Glenwood road.

Glenwood Road—Wachusett road, near Pound hill, to
Princeton line, via "Union Corner," so called.

Campbell Street—From "Greenleaf Place, so called," to Pom-
magussett road.

Bushy Lane—Pommagussett road, east to Princeton line, across East County road near Hodgkin's place or "Reed Corner," so called.

Upper Intervale Road—From East County road at North Rutland to Princeton line toward East Hubbardston.

Middle Intervale—East County road at North Rutland to New Boston Mill.

Lower Intervale—New Boston Mill to Barre line along the river.

Davis Street—North Rutland near bridge by house of Joseph Davis to Pommagussett road.

Prescott Street—Maple avenue to Holden line by Sylvester Prescott place.

Hillside Road—Prescott street to Paxton line by Sargent farm.

Emerald Road—The "Irish Lane."

Kenwood Drive—Main street to South District school house on Maple avenue.

Turkey Hill Road—Kenwood drive to Paxton line over Turkey Hill.

Pleasant Dale Road—Memorial Building to Spencer line by Demond Pond and Dublin school house.

Lake Avenue—From West Rutland school house to West County road, the Main street of West Rutland.

West County Road—The Worcester and Barre road through Paxton.

Crawford Street—From West County road near Causway to Oakham line.

East Hill Road—From Daniel Leary's place, Dublin, on Pleasant Dale road, to Oakham line.

Brintnal Drive—Pommogussett road east to Greenleaf place.

Charnock Road—From Memorial street, Barrack Hill, to New Boston.

Barrack Hill Road—Memorial street to White Hall road.

White Hall Road—From West Rutland school house to Oakham line through White Hall.

Pine Plain Road—White Hall road to Coldbrook over the plains.

Long Meadow Road—Pine Plain road to Lower Intervale road at the great elm.

Walnut Street—From Kenwood drive to Emerald road.

Sassawauno Road—Pommagussett road to New Boston to junction of Charnock road.

Central Elm Road—Naquag street to Holden line via the central elm.

Miles Street—Pommagussett street to Miles' Hill (by depot.)

Millbrook Lane—Miles street to house of William J. Hunt.

Oakhill Road—Long meadow road to D. O'Herron's place.

Cloverdale Road—From Sassawauno road to house of Robert Ploetz by W. A. Hunter's.

REPORT

OF

TRUSTEES OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Unexpended balance from last year,	\$ 4 08
Appropriation,	100 00
Received from non-residents for use of library	
and from fines and sale of catalogues,	16 39
	—————\$120 47

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Mrs. Foster, Librarian, to December,	\$43 00
Paid Mrs. E. J. Prouty, Librarian, for balance	
of year,	14 70
Paid for new books,	5 14
Paid for moving library,	2 75
Paid for incidentals,	40
	—————\$65 99
Balance,	\$54 48

Of this balance \$44.80 is due from the town on unexpended appropriation and \$9.68 is in the hands of the Trustees.

The whole number of books taken from the library during the year is 3000.

Two books have been contributed by Mrs. Mary Upham.

Your Trustees have thought best not to spend the balance of the appropriation for books this year, but to wait till the library was moved into larger quarters the coming year.

Owing to the removal from town of Mrs. Foster, the library was moved the first of December, and Mrs E. J. Prouty was appointed Librarian.

For the past twenty-two years Mrs. Foster has been the Librarian, and has always given universal satisfaction, and the books have had the best of care.

A larger appropriation than usual will be needed the coming year in order to cover the necessary expenses which will be incurred, by a change of location and methods.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. TEMPLE,	}	Trustees of Library.
MRS. SARAH MUNROE,		
MRS. H. R. SPAULDING,		

Water Department.

The following is a statement of expenditures on account of the construction to February 15, 1899:

1898.		DR.
Dec.	1. By cash on notes from E. H. Gay & Co.,	\$2000 00
	1. Premium on notes,	8 00
1899.		
Feb.	15. Accrued interest,	90
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		\$2008 90
1899.		CR.
Jan.	2. Paid L. A. Taylor on contract,	\$1500 00
	25. Walworth Manuf. Co., pipe,	113 94
	25. L. M. Hanff, expense on loan,	5 00
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		\$1618 94
Feb.	15. Balance unexpended,	\$389 96

WILLIAM T. BROWN, Secretary.

REPORT

OF

Superintendent of Water Works.

Acting under the vote of the town, whereby the Water Commissioners were authorized to extend the water main a certain distance in two particular directions if a guaranteed income from water rentals would pay four per cent on the cost of constructions, the water system has been extended on the Paxton road by laying 280 feet of 6 inch pipe and 4202 feet of 4 inch pipe, with one gate and three hydrants.

The contract was awarded to L. A. Taylor for \$1550. A few changes have since been made by adding another hydrant, so that the total cost will be about \$1600.

On account of the cold and the extreme cold weather in November Mr. Taylor could not quite complete his work, and consequently the patrons have not been connected, but will be in the early spring. When this is done a guarantee of about \$70 for water rent will be effected. The working of the system during the year has been quite satisfactory. There have been no breaks or leaks in the main or service pipes, and only one or two instances when patrons have been inconvenienced by freezing of the service pipes. The State Board

of Health makes an analysis of the water every month, the Superintendent being required to send samples taken from the top and bottom of the lake for this purpose. The reports of this analysis shows the water to be uniformly pure, almost entirely free from vegetable and mineral substances. The supply has at all times been abundant for domestic use and for fire protection. The amount pumped during the year as taken from the engineer's books is 6,809,316 gallons, or 1,334.91 more than was pumped the preceding year. This is largely accounted for by the increased amount used at the State Hospital. Due reference should be made to the faithful and efficient services of Mr. E. E. Lawrence, the engineer in charge of the pumping plant. The Water Commissioners did not ask the town last year to make an appropriation for hydrants, believing that the water system was on a self-supporting basis, which is clearly shown by the following financial statement :

DR.

Rec. from State Hospital, 6 mo. water rent, \$	500 00
Due " " " " " "	500 00
Received and due from patrons,	339 85

\$1339 85

CR.

Paid interest on water loan,	\$900 00
" Dearborn Chemical Works for compound for boiler tubes,	26 72
" Engineer's services,	170 40
" J Albert Walker, coal,	92 52
" Boston & Maine, R. R. freight on coal,	34 65
" For wood,	14 50
" Drawing coal to Pumping Station,	16 60

Paid For oil

1 50

 \$1256 89

Leaving a balance in favor of the Water Dept. of \$ 82 96

I would recommend the extension of the water system wherever an income of four per cent on the outlay can be at once realized, as the tendency is always to increase rather than to diminish the number of water takers and the amount of water used.

Amount of Supplies and Tools on Hand.

SUPPLIES.

240 feet 2-in. gal iron pipe.	4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch brass unions.
1070 " $\frac{3}{4}$ " " "	1 dozen clasps.
28 " $\frac{3}{4}$ lead pipe.	12-inch Y.
8 " 1 " "	9 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch Ells.
2 1-inch soldered lead connections.	4 reducers varying from $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch.
2 faucets.	5 service boxes.
1 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. corporation cock.	200 feet measuring line.
6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch sidewalk cocks.	Approximate value \$125.00.
4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. stopand waste cocks.	

TOOLS FOR TRENCHING.

3 picks,	\$3.00	3 drills,	\$1.75
3 hammers,	2.50	4 lanterns,	2.00
1 spade,	75	1 broom,	50
1 grub axe,	1.00		
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			\$11.50

TOOLS FOR PIPING.

1 2-inch die plate,	\$6.00	1 gate wrench,	\$2.50
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch drills,	1.80	1 B. Miller patent die ratchet	
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch taps,	2.50	plate with 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ dies,	\$4.12
2 W. I. wrenches for side-		1 Miller's ratchet pipe	
walk shut-off,	3.83	cutter,	3.40
2 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch taps,	2.26	1 Stillson wrench, 18 in.,	1.60
1 1-inch tap,	.94	1 " " 24 "	2.40
1 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch die plate for		2 pairs Brown's tongs,	1.20
$\frac{3}{4}$ inch and 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch,	4.00	1 Coes' block wrench, 15	
1 2-inch drill for ratchet,	.90	inch,	1.00
2 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch drill,	1.20	1 Wall vice,	8.10
1 1-inch drill,	.53	1 Wall hinge vice,	3.00
2 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch reamer,	2.26	2 Packer's sleeve rat-	
1 1-inch reamer,	.94	chets,	4.05
1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reamer,	.63	1 iron crow,	9.60
1 2-in. Stanwood cutter,	.98	1 2-in. Walworth cutter,	1.46
1 expander,	5.00		
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			\$76.20

C. R. BARTLETT,

Superintendent.

Rutland, February 15, 1899.

REPORT

OF

Trustees of the Mead Fund.

For the Year Ending February, 1899.

Town of Rutland in account with F. Hathaway, Trustee:

	CR.
Cash in bank,	\$679 00
Note against the town,	500 00
Interest due,	40 00
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Total amount in my hands,	\$1,219 00

In addition to the above there is interest due on the bank deposit,

Respectfully submitted,

F. HATHAWAY.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

Town of Rutland,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1899.

REPORT

OF THE

School Committee

of the Town of Rutland, for the Year Ending
February 15, 1899.

FELLOW CITIZENS:

The annual report of your School Committee is herewith
submitted :

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Population of the Massachusetts Census, 1895,	978
Number of persons in Town between five and fifteen years of age, May 1st, 1898, *	187
Number between eight and fourteen,	121
Whole number of pupils registered in the Schools,	
Average membership,	
Average attendance,	
Per cent. of average attendance,	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Appropriations for 1898,	
For support of schools,	\$1800 00

For conveyance of pupils,	700 00
State school fund,	394 43
Dog Fund,	85 32
Received from state for tuition of boys,	122 00
" " town of Oakham tuition	
of High School pupils,	57 50

\$3159 25

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' salaries,	\$2,354 20
Books and supplies,	247 28
Janitors,	58 40
Fuel,	76 45
Conveyance of pupils,	604 00

\$3340 33

Balance expended, 181 08

\$3159 25

CONTINGENT.

Repairs and furnishings, \$17 96

BILLS APPROVED.

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Edw. E. Babb & Co.,	\$223 23
American Book Co.,	19 04
Eva Planche,	25
A. A. Heald,	50
Helen H. Jacques,	1 41
John S. Buttles,	40
F. Hathaway,	2 45

\$247 28

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

John S. Buttles,	\$330 00
A. A. Heald,	470 00
Annabel Atherton,	201 50
Sidney Crawford,	26 00
Grace Ware,	88 00
Lillian Harrington,	235 00
Helen H. Jaques,	293 50
Grace J. Alexander,	201 00
Marie Neis,	90 00
Eva M. Planche,	80 00
Alice R. Walker,	80 00
Maud K. C. Lucus,	179 00
Carrie Amitage,	72 00
Town of Oakham,	7 70

\$2354 20

FUEL.

Joseph Davis,	\$8 75
Arthur Goodwin,	1 30
C. H. Upham,	24 00
C. A. Spooner,	15 00
Clarence Prescott,	5 00
E. Wellington,	10 00
Leslie Prescott,	1 50
F. S. Hunt,	1 10
H. W. Calkins,	4 50
Joseph E. Ware,	5 30

Total, \$76 45

CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS.

E. H. Crosby,	\$141 00
Stephen P. Allen,	120 00
W. F. Reid,	171 00

M. D. Potter,	83 00
Alexander Lovely,	27 00
Walter A. Hunter,	48 00
A. O. Chickering,	6 00
Dennis A. Smith,	8 00

Total, \$604 00

JANITORS.

Clarance Prescott,	\$ 6 25
Frank Rivers,	3 15
Edgar Fay,	13 25
Mrs. James Scott,	7 50
Alexander Henderson,	2 75
Mrs. M. McCarthy,	4 50
Annie Bartley,	2 50
Arthur Goodwin,	5 25
C. A. Goodwin,	4 50
Harry Bartley,	2 50
Edson Hunt	50
Arthur M. Kennedy,	2 75
H. N. Bemis,	50
Teachers,	2 50

Total, \$58 40

REPAIRS AND FURNISHINGS.

L. M. Hanff,	\$2 85
Henry Converse,	1 71
George W. Hudson,	6 25
F. A. Nichols,	2 55
Arthur Goodwin,	25
Sidney Crawford,	1 60
E. G. Higgins & Co.,	2 00
A. A. Heald,	75

Total, \$17 96

Statistics for the Full Year.

TEACHERS.	SCHOOL.	Enroll- ment.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Average Wages Per Month.	No. of Pupils Over 15	No. of Pupils Under 15	No. Betw'n 8 and 15
Helen H. Jaques,	Center Primary	55	41 8-10	37	\$38.66 2-3	0	0	55
Marie Neis, Grace Alexander,	Center Inter'mte	54	42 5-8	39 1-4	38.66 2-3	0	0	54
Eva M. Planche, Alice R. Walker, Grace Ware,	West Rutland	38	28 52-100	22	32.00	1	0	31
Maude K. C. Lucas, Carrie Armitage,	New Bos- ton and N. Rutland	32	21 80-100	17 67-100	33.33 1-3	1	0	27
Lillian Harrington, John S. Buttler,		28	22 4-10	20 51-100	32.00			
A. A. Heald, Annabel Atherton,	High School							

NUMBER OF SCHOOLS MAINTAINED.

Five schools have been in session during the year for three terms of ten weeks each, the High School having three terms of eleven weeks each, or thirty-three weeks for the year. It would be desirable in the future to have eleven weeks constitute the Spring and Fall terms and ten weeks for the Winter term. By so doing we should approximate quite near the length of the schools in larger towns, and also we would not be complained of by not conforming to the law of the State in reference thereto, and in this connection we advise a change in the time when the several terms shall commence. Perhaps the Spring term need not commence the first part of April as has been the custom. The Fall term should commence as soon as August 10th and the Winter term the first of November, the school closing early in January.

The reason for the changes will be obvious to all, especially to those who have children attending the primary grades.

GRADED SCHOOLS.

In our last year's report we brought to the attention of the town how this could be brought about to a certain extent, and greatly improve the condition of all the schools. We are pleased to say that the town acted in this matter and voted to build a new building for school and other purposes. This building contains four school rooms and a recitation room, which we hope to occupy in the near future. We confidently expect that this large outlay of the town will prove to be a good investment, securing to us and our children a lasting benefit of more value than silver or gold. Thus we shall be proud of our accommodations and the quality of our schools as the years roll on, giving us a reputation of having schools equal to the best in the commonwealth.

CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS.

The question has not yet been fully settled in regard to what is a reasonable distance for children to walk to and from school, and in absence of any law in regard to this matter it is left for the town or their School Committee to determine what the reasonable distance should be, and your committee would recommend that for all children between five and eight years of age one and a half miles, and those between eight and fourteen two miles. Pupils over fourteen usually will attend the High School, and will furnish their own, however far they may be from school. Your committee, of course, will cheerfully do as the town may think best in this regard, and if they will take action in this matter we will try to carry out their wishes if they do not conflict with any law bearing on this subject. We have no doubt but this transportation problem will be satisfactorily solved, and that all the parents will want to avail themselves of the better accommodations that will be provided in the new school building. If it does require a little more effort and perhaps expense on your part you will realize that for any expense or effort in this line you will get payment in full with interest, not in dollars and cents, but in the consciousness that you have done the best you could for your children.

DISCIPLINE IN SCHOOLS.

Perhaps we ought to be satisfied with the discipline maintained in the schools the past year, for we believe the teachers have been anxious in regard to this matter, and perhaps have accomplished all that we could reasonably expect, but at the same time there is room for improvement in some of the schools, and we shall expect to see improvements in this direction the coming year in proportion to our better accommodations.

We consider that one of the most important qualifications of a teacher is to be a thorough disciplinarian, for one with all the other qualifications and deficient in this, will not be a successful teacher. If parents and scholars realized the importance of good order and a strict attention to the business of the school, and would make an effort on their part to help the teacher in this particular, it would enable one to do the best work in the line of teaching.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

Truant Officers were appointed, but they have no report to submit, as they were not called upon to act in their official capacity.

MEMORIAL DAY.

This day was observed with the usual interesting exercises by the children. These exercises by our children will instill into their lives a love of country, so that we can confidently expect that they will, when called upon in the future to take the places of trust and honor, in town, state and nation, the welfare of the whole body politic will be safe in their hands, and this nation will continue to be a liberty-loving and God-fearing nation.

IN CONCLUSION.

We remind the parents that we are grateful for their co-operation and for the interest shown by their frequent visits to the schools, and hope that every parent will visit the school, once at least during each term of the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

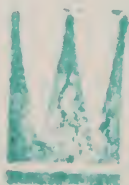
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